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## Bar Association Is Loser in Baker Case

Said to Be Curley Man Wins  
Bench in Face of Unpre-  
cedented Protest

Boston, Nov. 13.—(P)—In the face of an unprecedented protest by the Boston Bar Association, the executive council of Massachusetts today put one of its own members on the Superior Court bench.

He was J. Arthur Baker, 56-year-old Pittsfield lawyer-farmer, a Republican accused by his party's high command of selling out to Democratic Governor James M. Curley.

Even while the bar association was pleading with the governor to withdraw Baker's name on the

ground that the "inviolability of the courts" was "at stake," the council confirmed his nomination by a strict party vote of 5-3.

Baker did not vote.

Immediately afterward he was sworn into office.

Baker, bespectacled, genial, cigar-smoking, heavyset member of the council, became a storm center only recently when, by withholding his vote he enabled Curley to name a Democrat in succession to Republican Councillor Edmond Cote of Fall River. That maneuver placed the Democrats in control of the council for the first time in recent political history.

Immediately after Baker had been confirmed the governor nominated, and the council promptly confirmed, Morton H. Burdick (D) of Easthampton to be Baker's successor.

Burdick was Baker's opponent in the last election.

Curley later characterized the bar association's intervention as an "unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence" and of the association itself he had this to say:

"It's a super-perpetuating institution with membership in each succeeding year dictated by the association."

At the same session of the council Richard D. Grant, chief secretary to Curley and a salty radio political commentator, became a member of the public utilities commission at \$7,000 a year.

Grant will succeed Henry G. Wells, Haverhill Republican, who yesterday resigned effective November 20.

The new Superior Court judge is a native of Buzzards Bay and a graduate of Boston University and its law school.

Although serving his first term, he had achieved considerable popularity about the State House by his frequent gifts of maple sugar and syrup from his Pittsfield farm.

## ADVOCATE Arlington, Mass.

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## Curley Signature Captures 1st Prize

Gov. James M. Curley was about to retire, last Thursday evening, when a gay group of young people knocked at the door and requested an audience. Upon granting it, Mr. Curley learned that the young people were from the Cambridge School of Liberal Arts, that they were on a scavenger hunt, and that one of their orders was to obtain the governor's signature on a copy of the school paper, The Chimes of Cambridge. Much amused by all this, Mr. Curley complied with their request, and sent them on their way rejoicing. They arrived at the school at exactly the zero hour, and captured the prize by three points. Included in the carload were Sherbrooke Yates, Alan Smith, and Winston Bullard of Arlington.

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## BOWKER LASHES "CURLEYISM" AT DANVERS DINNER

Senator McSweeney Also  
Speaks to Women's  
Republican Club

All the cities and most of the towns in the county were represented at a meeting of the Essex County Women's Republican Club in the "Old Putnam Barn" in Danvers Wednesday. It was a splendid meeting over which the president, Mrs. Helen F. Consalus of Haverhill presided.

The guest speakers after the luncheon were Representative Philip Bowker of Brookline, Senator William McSweeney of Salem, Republican National Committee-women Mrs. F. R. Batchelder and Mrs. Alfred B. Williams, Vice Chairman Republican State Committee. Mrs. Effie Atwill of Lynn gave the report on current events.

Other guests seated at the head table were Miss Madeline Torrey, president of the Beverly Women's Republican Club; Mrs. Lewis R. Hovey, Essex County director of the Women's Republican Club of Massachusetts; Mrs. Wysocki of the Salem Women's Republican Club; Mrs. Isaac Patch of Gloucester and Lewis R. Hovey of Haverhill, members of the Republican State Committee and Mrs. Jennie Lee, secretary of the Essex County Club.

Rep. Bowker gave a comprehensive and eye-opening recital of the Curley coercion plan of running the State government and the dangers which the people of the state are facing in the coming year.

Senator McSweeney's matchless oratory and sincerity of purpose won repeated interruptions of applause from the many Republican women leaders present.

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## Up With The Times

By L. R. H.

**THE LIMIT**—The Governor of Massachusetts will reach the limit of "Opera bouffe" government when he names that prince of public defamers, "Dick" Grant, as a member of the Massachusetts Public Utilities Commission. If Grant is confirmed by the Council, his pay for doing the Governor's dirty work will be \$35,000—five years at \$7,000 per year—more than he would earn in the newspaper game if he lived to be a hundred.

This appointment is a criterion of what will happen to the various state departments as fast as the terms of present officials run out. The ultimate result will be the same as with the Boston Finance Commission,—a grand collection of "Yes Men" under the thumb of the Bay State's first Mussolini,—a dictatorship that will equal Huey Long's, unless the state legislature can be held in line to block his vicious program of self-aggrandizement and Tammanism.

"The rewarding of renegade Republicans who 'sold their birthright for a mess of pottage' was bad enough. The insult to the people of Massachusetts in the Grant appointment is without precedent on Beacon Hill.

L. — R. — H.

**DANCING FIGURES** — About this time of the year look out for statistics. Last Tuesday's voting figures ought to be good for another week or two of prophecy. By that time The Literary Digest poll will be in full swing. Minor polls, soundings and plebiscites abound. Veteran observers of animal life in the political jungles say the denizens have been laying in exceptionally heavy supplies of questionnaires and postcards, and predict a hard Winter—Topics of The Times

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### Racing Profit of \$1,450,000

Massachusetts realized a net profit of \$1,450,000 from legalized pari-mutual betting on horse and dog races, according to a report by Chairman Charles F. Connors of the State Racing Commission to Governor James M. Curley. This was almost double the highest estimates. Chairman Connors reported that the State actually collected \$1,614,979.89 but was obliged to spend \$164,000 for supervising the 290 days of horse and dog racing. The gross receipts included \$1,120,280.01 for State's commission, \$278,952.88 for State's breakage, \$111,675 for association license fees and \$14,072 for employees' license fees. The figures of the Commission show that the "handle" at Massachusetts tracks reached \$34,579,420, of which \$19,028,793 was bet on the horses and \$15,458,072 on the dogs. A total of 1,252,671 watched the dogs race over a period of 200 days but only 876,967 attended the 73 days of horse racing. There were thirteen days of harness racing at which \$73,742 was bet by the 8,698 attending and four days of racing at the Marshfield Fair at which the 6,000 attending bet \$18,813.

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## The Political Arena

(By The Bellboy)

It is barely possible that while they might regard reference to "the handwriting on the wall" as something related to Hallowe'en pranks, the average Democratic politician does know that something happened on November fifth. It is quite as probable that in some instances the stunned satellites of His Excellency have not as yet entirely recovered complete consciousness. But even these have sufficient acumen to discern the fact that the Republicans are smiling and that those who were begone countenances on Beacon Hill are being worn by the former cocky, self-assured supporters of Governor Jim.

For smile as they will, and it's a sickly, wan sort of smile, these Democrats know that in many instances, yes, in most, the issue was purely and simply one of "Curleyism." In Worcester the Curley forces rallied to the support of candidate Kelley and let it be known that any defeat of their candidate—which they of course did not expect—would be construed as a blow at Curley and the present administration. Now they rather wish they had not let that word be spread about. And over in Lowell what a victory that was for Dewey Archambault, one of the most brilliant platform orators and shrewd vote-getters in the Commonwealth. Archambault made one of the most effective and clever campaigns in the history of Lowell and today he is resting pretty as one of the State's leading individuals.

By the way, Vernon Marr, chairman of the Republican State Committee, has his doubts about the entire integrity of all telegraph employees. For after he had sent messages of congratulation to the many successful Republican candidates he was amazed to find in Boston newspapers that Governor Curley had used almost his exact words in commenting upon the election. Chairman Marr is wondering whether the Governor was being sarcastic or whether he got his wires crossed and did not believe what he read in the morning papers.

One man who makes no public or audible comment but who probably was in closer touch than any other individual with all parts of the State and who could—and did—forecast with a greater degree of accuracy than any other the results, is genial, smiling, shrewd Charlie Nichols. There are few men in Massachusetts with as keen an insight and knowledge of actual politics as this veteran campaigner from "out Chelmsford way." Charlie Nichols can sit in his office and make more contacts and estimate more closely the vote in each precinct than could the average man after spending months out in the field.



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**Brookline, Mass.**

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**POLITICS**  
**WITH**  
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**National Politics**

It was my privilege a few nights ago to listen to a very frank talk by a nationally known political commentator. His name is omitted for the reason that he had asked not to be quoted in the press. In his opinion, Frank Knox is the strongest candidate for the Republican nomination for President up to date. He has, however, failed to make very much headway in spite of the tremendous amount of propaganda which has been launched in his behalf. Much has been made of the fact that he has resided at various times in different sections of the country. This will, of course, increase his availability to a certain extent, but it will be necessary for him to impress his personality upon the average voter far more if he is to get anywhere. Parenthetically, I have been puzzled at my own inability to work up more enthusiasm over Knox, especially in view of the fact that he was a strong Roosevelt ("T. R.") man a decade ago, and that would ordinarily count very heavily with me. There is another point which must be borne in mind. Knox projected himself into the foreground too far in advance of the Republican Convention. He will be shot full of holes long before the nomination is made.

The other Republican candidates were dismissed somewhat briefly. It was disappointing to have the speaker wave Governor Landon of Kansas one side, with a comment that he was by no means an outstanding man. He seemed to feel that the endeavor to paint him as a mid-western Calvin Coolidge would not succeed, and justifiably so. Borah is rather far advanced in years, is probably too independent and radical to suit the East, and will be handicapped by his views on inflation, the Townsend plan, Soviet Russia and other issues now before the public. Vandenberg of Michigan was dismissed as a straddler. There is the further complication, which I believe has been touched on previously in this column, that the other Michigan Senator, Couzens, will very likely contest with Vandenberg for the Michigan delegation. In this case they would kill each other off. Senator Dickinson of Iowa was passed over as a relatively light figure. The usual comment was made regarding former President Hoover, namely, that his name is synonymous with the depression, and that President Roosevelt would doubtless relish a contest with him more than anyone else whom the Republicans might nominate. The speaker had nothing to say regarding young Theodore Roosevelt or Congressman Hamilton Fish of New York. During the question period, however, he in-

timated that these two were lightweight. He was quite sure that both of these men would be delighted to accept the vice-presidential nomination.

Finally, the speaker suggested the strong possibility that the Republican National Convention would be made up of one-third delegates pledged to favorite son candidates and two-thirds

unpledged delegates. He considered it more than likely that the unpledged delegates, confronted with a deadlock, would proceed to select a nominee in somewhat the same manner that Warren G. Harding was chosen. This, needless to say, is not to be viewed with complacency. Let us hope that sometime between now and next June some commanding figure will come to the front, capture the public imagination, and secure the Republican nomination.

**U. S. Senatorial Nomination**

It has been very interesting to watch the developments in the early stages of the campaign for the Republican senatorial nomination. James F. Cavanaugh's candidacy does not seem to be taken quite as seriously as perhaps it should be. Henry Cabot Lodge, however, has made it very clear that he means business. The first interesting thing that happened was this: A number of prominent politicians found it advisable to stall a bit until they could find out what Mayor Sinclair Weeks of Newton proposed to do. The strongest Lodge men will, of course, be with him anyway, but there is a rather large group which will find it exceedingly difficult to make a choice between Lodge and Weeks, in case both men should stay in the field. Weeks, to be sure, has not yet announced his candidacy, but a trial balloon was sent up by some of his closest friends not long ago, and the reaction appears to be satisfactory to Weeks's followers. He will, however, make no public statement one way or another until the Newton mayoralty contest is decided on December 10.

My guess, and it is only a guess, is that Mayor Weeks would doubtless prefer to go straight to the Senate, without serving in the lower branch of Congress first. It is quite possible, however, that he may decide that it will be far simpler to walk off with the Republican nomination for Congress and then knock off his Democratic opponent, whoever he may be. It is possible that Congressman Richard M. Russell will not run again, especially if he finds out that he will be up against Mayor Weeks. He doubtless hopes to succeed his distinguished father as Governor of Massachusetts, and he may be planning to go after the Democratic nomination for Governor in the event that Governor Curley seeks the senatorial nomination.

In considering a possible Lodge-Weeks contest, we must bear in mind developments in the gubernatorial contest. If Haigis should eventually come to the fore, he would blend well with Lodge. If, however, Saltonstall stays out front, it does not seem to me that Lodge's nomination for the Senate would be good strategy. Obviously that would help Mayor Weeks.

By the way, has it occurred to my readers what a tremendously interesting situation would develop in the event that former Governor Ely should decide to challenge Governor Curley for the Senatorial nomination? It is too early to estimate changes of such a contest, but it is something to play with.

In closing, there is a possible dark horse whose name has been advanced privately by hundreds of people during the last few months. I have not the remotest idea whether a serious boom will be launched for this distinguished citizen or not. The man to whom I refer is Charles Francis Adams, former Secretary of the Navy. P. W. C.

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Representative Philip G. Bowker was guest-speaker at a dinner-meeting of the Women's Republican Club of Essex County at the Putnam Lodge in Danvers Wednesday noon and also spoke at a meeting of the Newell Club of Newton and Wellesley Tuesday afternoon. He discussed at some length the present condition of the State government and the acts of Governor Curley and at the Danvers meeting attacked the appointment of Joshua A. Baker to the Superior Court bench.

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**Randolph Examiner**  
**Confirmed Again**

**STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, Nov. 14.—Reappointment of Dr. George V. Higgins of Randolph as associate medical examiner of the Third Norfolk district was confirmed Wednesday afternoon by the executive council under suspension of rules.**

With the council now standing six democrats to three republicans, as contrasted to its makeup at the beginning of this year, five republicans to four democrats, all of Curley's appointments were confirmed under suspension of rules.

Councilor Joseph B. Grossman, republican, of Quincy, has announced he will seek re-election, thus denying published reports he would run for the republican nomination for lieutenant-governor.

"My candidate for lieutenant-governor is Associate Justice Kenneth Johnson of Milton," Grossman explained. "I am not a candidate but will seek re-election as councilor. Further, I hope to have the opportunity of serving under a republican governor."

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A concerted attack on the crime problem in Massachusetts from a different flank than the G-man assault will bring together probation officers from all parts of the State at an all-day session at the Chamber of Commerce in Boston next Tuesday. Discussion of plans for redoubling efforts among youths will feature the meeting, with Federal officials, Governor Curley, members of the judiciary and local penal and probation experts rounding out a program that will deal with practically all phases of crime in the community. Judge John F. Perkins of the Boston Juvenile Court will be the principal speaker at the morning meeting opening at ten-thirty o'clock and the principal address at the afternoon session will be by Sanford Bates, director of Federal prisons, on "Jails, Prisons and the Community." The address of the evening will be given by Judge Abraham E. Pinanski of the Superior Court on "The Juvenile—How Can We Reach Him?"

**CHRONICLE**  
**Cambridge, Mass.**

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—Atty. Francis J. Carney, of this city, as chairman of the committee on judicial selection of the Boston Bar association, sent a letter to Gov. Curley yesterday protesting against the appointment of J. Arthur Baker, member of the executive council, to the superior bench. Despite the letter, Baker was nominated and confirmed yesterday to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Judge MacLeod.

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**Senator Cavanaugh**  
**Began New Duties**

On Tuesday, Senator Charles T. Cavanaugh, of Milton street, took over his new duties as clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex, held at East Cambridge, on Tuesday, when he replaced William A. Forbes, whose term has expired.

Mr. Cavanaugh, who was appointed and confirmed last week will finish his term in the Senate, which expires on January 1, 1937, at the request of Governor Curley. Clerk Forbes was employed in the court for 38 years, 25 years as a clerk and eight years as an assistant.

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MISS CELIA DONAHUE RECEIVES BOUQUET FROM  
GOV. CURLEY ON ARMISTICE DAY



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## The Voice of the People

The people of this city have spoken, and in no uncertain terms, either, for 88.7 per cent. of the entire voting strength of the community went to the polls, Tuesday.

There is much speculation, all along the line, and the favorite pastime now of the politically minded is that of trying to figure out the whys and the wherefores of the vote that this or that one received or didn't get.

That there is unquestionably a trend toward a change along certain lines it is plainly evident. For a man, new to politics in Chelsea, to step into the mayor's contest and defeat an experienced campaigner like Rep. William H. Melley is something just short of a miracle in this city.

There are those who interpret Voke's two-to-one victory as indicative of a strong desire for a change from politically-minded leadership to a more conservative and business-like management, free from the ballyhoo and the publicity which has been characteristic of the past.

The youth movement received strong support in the other municipal contests, with young and rather unknown men replacing some of those who have had the advantage of age and experience, both political and otherwise.

Jeremiah Kamens displaced Ald. James F. Shannon as alderman-at-large. Daniel E. Carroll will sit on the School Board in place of Sebastian N. Tanguosso from Ward 1, and Carroll was practically unknown politically. In Ward 4, Jacob Locke unseated Mrs. Feinberg, and in Ward 5, Edward A. McCarthy won a sizzling fight from his older and more experienced adversary.

So what?

Only this. There is a trend toward changes. The public is just about sick and tired of a great deal of the ballyhoo. The day of the big bluffer and the weeper is over. We are entering upon a new era, both in Chelsea and elsewhere, as shown in the upsets in other communities and in other States, in the great change in the attitude of the people toward Gov. James M. Curley—to bring the matter right down to something concrete—and to the sweeping change in sentiment toward President Roosevelt and his policies.

Broken promises, political poppycock, the handing out of high-salaried jobs while the working people are still struggling for a decent living—all of these things have been foisted upon the people and they are through. It takes a long time for the American people to become aroused, but once they do, they have in their hands the greatest power in the world, the power to express their opinions at the ballot box.

It is not intended to convey the impression that lo-

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cal office holders have been altogether of this type, but we have had our share of it. Chelsea has suffered because of it.

Those who have been elected to public office this week have been presented golden opportunities to make good, to make names for themselves and become revered in local history.

What they will do with these chances is entirely up to themselves. Time alone will bring the answer. The young men who will be serving the people of this city for the first time with the beginning of 1936 would do well to go back a ways into the history of this city and learn something about the integrity, the honesty, the reputation and the character, in general, of some of those who have served the city so well in the past.

Regardless of what interpretation may be placed upon the outcome of Tuesday's balloting, the citizens have a right to expect the best from those they have chosen, and those elected have a right, in turn, to expect support from the people.

#### ARGUS ADVOCATE

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## UNDER THE STATEHOUSE DOME

By "BELL BOY"

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Quick to comment upon the results of the election were Henry Cabot Lodge, Robert Bushnell, Leverett Saltonstall, Joseph B. Warner, John Haigis, Sinclair Weeks and other outstanding Republicans. That one result will be the adding to the list of probable candidates for state offices is assured for once again there is happiness and contentment in the Republican ranks and once more they feel that the prospects for success are as bright as in the days of old.

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tacts and estimate more closely the vote in each precinct than could the average man after spending months out in the field.

One story which did not break in Boston papers but was given plenty of space in "Editor and Publisher" was—a true one—to the effect that Christian Herter headed a group who were attempting to purchase the Boston Transcript. Certainly no brighter outlook could be painted for the lovable old Transcript than to fall safely into the hands of Chris Herter and his associates. The new life and sound judgment needed to again make of the Transcript a vital, influential factor in Massachusetts could be depended upon in that event. The Transcript is as much an institution in Boston as the Statehouse itself and that it has fallen into ways that are not entirely paved with financial success is a rather sad commentary upon the reading taste of the Bay State. But, like Massachusetts, "there she stands" and with just a few touches here and there, a bit of galvanizing into life in certain spots, the Transcript could be made not alone a paying venture but one which would again carry the weight it once did. It might also be added, just for the sake of completing the story, that another bidder for the paper is George Marshall, the Washington laundry magnate and owner of the Boston "Redskins," professional football team.

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**NEWS**

Everett, Mass.

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**Saxe Resigns From Finance Commission**

BOSTON, Nov. 13—Declining to reveal his reasons, stating they should come from Gov. Curley, who appointed him several months ago, William W. Saxe, Boston advertising man, today resigned as a member of the Boston Finance Commission.

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**POLITICAL  
POINTERS**

Potential, or actual House candidates next year include Representatives Tom Barry, Frank Irwin, Enrico Cappucci, Tom Carey, Mrs. Gertrude Gehm, Joseph Bosco, Warren Fenlon, Francis McIntyre, Edward J. Caton, Daniel M. Gerson, and, last but not least, Daniel B. McInnes. Variety is the spice of life and the above possible entrants for the Commonwealth sweepstakes, demonstrate that adage.

While another East Boston man is, presumably, the choice of Governor Curley for the position of Clerk of the East Boston District Court, the name of Representative Tony Centracchio has been mentioned frequently of late as a possible appointee for the Clerkship. There is a familiar and popular quotation which says "political promises are made to be broken," and the Governor with that affirmative—negative range of logic that he has displayed so often, may confound the oracles by appointing Centracchio, or, some other attorney. Who knows?

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be paid so that the young fellow would be more willing to enlist again if another war started; and there was another one nearer home who devoted ten minutes to a discourse on his own experiences at the front, and his "battle-scarred body."

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There has been a complaint that the governor's Armistice Day proclamation was a boost for the New Deal. If they can ever find out who wrote it—while Jim was in Hawaii—he'll get a slap on the wrist.

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#### When He Dons the Robe.

When J. Arthur Baker dons the judicial robe and steps to the bench on his first assignment as a justice of the superior court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, a lifelong ambition will have been realized, for it is to such a position that every young man aspires from the time he first decides upon the law as his chosen profession.

As a presiding justice he will occupy a place of distinction in the commonwealth where there are only approximately thirty men holding similar appointments. In his court room he will, by virtue of his part in the judicial system be accorded considerable respect. He will be ushered into the court by the high sheriff of the county, accompanied by the solemn admonition of the court crier. According to custom and the practice of centuries, attorneys and spectators will rise and stand until Judge Baker has seated himself comfortably.

Among those attorneys who will rise at the approach of the new justice will be men who have given their best years to the practice of their professions, men who have dealt with cases involving the most complicated legal situations to be found in our state's long history of litigation. Among them will be men who have earned huge sums in their practice but still yearn for the recognized honor and distinction which appointment to the judiciary ordinarily brings.

Comfortably seated on the bench, Judge Baker will be the center of attention of lawyers and laymen, for no man other than king on throne occupies a position so commanding. He has reached the pinnacle and there he will remain day in and day out.

But will Judge Baker be comfort-

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The candidates for nomination and election in the state contest of 1936, just a year away, are already dropping in on the electorate in Western Massachusetts. We see them too early and too late.

In connection with one of these visits last week I was told that it cost around \$25,000 to be elected as a United States senator in Massachusetts. That's considered low as senate seats go in this republic, but it's still a tidy figure.

However, if our present governor could be induced to take the job and would go to Washington for five or six years, we might quote a bargain price.

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**TIMES**  
Gloucester, Mass.

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## GRANT GETS CURLEY PLUM

(Special to the Times.)

State House, Boston, November 13.—Richard D. Grant, private secretary to Gov. James M. Curley was today confirmed as a member of the Public Utilities Commission.

The council divided along political lines voted 6 to 3 for confirmation. Councillor Morton H. Burdick of Easthampton cast his first council vote, in behalf of the Grant appointment.

Councillors Joseph B. Grossman, Winfield A. Schuster and Frank A. Brooks opposed his nomination.

They were overridden by Councillors William G. Hennessy of Lynn, James J. Brennan of Somerville, Phillip J. Russell of Fall River, Daniel H. Coakley of Boston, Councillor Burdick and Lieut.-Governor Joseph L. Curley.

Grant has been serving Governor Curley as chief secretary since the first of the year. A former newspaper reporter at the state house, Grant became editor-in-chief of a Boston radio news gathering organization and due to his radio news dispatches predicting (with great enthusiasm) the apparent victory of Governor Curley over Gaspar G. Bacon, was reported to have been discharged. At that time he joined the Curley campaign speaking staff and was named secretary upon the governor's election.

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**TIMES**  
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Some say that Governor Curley will run for a second term here instead of for the United States Senate—with which whisper in mind certain Democrats are passing round the word that perhaps they would be just

as good men at Washington as Senator Coolidge—whose term will expire next year.

**ENTERPRISE**  
Falmouth, Mass.

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## Gun Club Seeks Further Control

Sportsmen Want Say In Appointment Of Fish And Game And Open Seasons

Falmouth Rod and Gun Club went on record Tuesday evening as favoring legislation which will require approval by the Massachusetts Council of Sportsmen's Club of any appointee to the post of director of the division of fisheries and game. The motion, proposed by a county league, will be acted upon by the Massachusetts Council this month, and placed before the coming session of the legislature.

The club heard William J. Lockhart, its president say that, barring accident, Representative Ernest J. Dean of Chilmark would succeed Samuel A. York as commissioner of conservation on Dec. 1. Mr. Lockhart stated that Governor Curley has said he will appoint a man from southeastern Massachusetts as director of fish and game. A warm contest on the part of several candidates to obtain the sportsmen's council's approval for the post is in process.

Last month the club went on record as favoring legislation placing in the hands of the director of fisheries and game the control of the deer season in each county. The motion stipulated that before opening or closing the season the director must have a majority vote of the county league. At Tuesday's meeting motions were passed to place both hawks and rabbits under similar control. The Essex County

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Sportsmen's league had forwarded a motion calling for removal of all species of hawks from the protected list. The club disapproved that motion, and substituted one asking that the director, subject to the approval of the sportsmen in each county, be given authority to remove or place hawks on the protected bird list. A similar motion regarding varying the bag limit on rabbits was passed.

The meeting was held in Legion Hall. The usual sporting movies were missing. Three reels were ordered by A. L. Ames in person from the Canadian National office in Boston, but failed to arrive Tuesday either by express or by mail.

Election of officers for the coming year will take place at the next meeting, which will be held Tuesday, December 10, at the Falmouth House. Oscar H. Lefevre, Ernest C. Baker, and Hollis F. Wright were appointed members of the nominating committee.

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### Russell, Cottell To Address Clubs

The Curley Club and all organizations affiliated with it in the Amalgamated Club will meet tomorrow night at 8 in the Ward Three Social Club, at Spring and Pearl streets. The speakers will be City Councillor Philip J. Russell, Jr., and George Cottell, assistant supervisor of Labor management at WPA regional headquarters.

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### Appointee of Curley To Retain Pastorate

WORCESTER, Nov. 14—(UP)—The Rev. Dr. Morris Peterson, who resigned his pastorate because he was "tired of being criticized for being a Democrat," has changed his mind.

Acceding to a vote of the trustees and deacons, Dr. Peterson last night withdrew his resignation as pastor of the First Swedish Baptist church.

The minister was appointed to a state office following his active support of Governor Curley in the election campaign last year.

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# Political Grab Bag

By Thomas K. Brindley

## Kansas Governor Forgot Bay State When He Talked of Good Government—Curley's "Yes-Men" Have Changed Conditions Here.

There has been much comment made about the recent speech delivered by Governor Alf Landon, of Kansas, in Cleveland, Ohio. Most of it is due to the fact that the gentleman is being mentioned quite prominently as a likely candidate for the Republican nomination for President.

A year ago, of course, you couldn't give away the Republican nomination, but times do change and today it's very much in demand. Mr. Landon is letting his friends boost his cause to the limit.

But like all Governors, he slips out of his own State occasionally and delivers a little speech that gets him in the press of the nation.

While all of Mr. Landon's remarks in Cleveland gained country wide attention for many reasons, one statement the Kansas Governor made should interest the people of Massachusetts considerably. He said:

"The country is beginning to learn that government cannot change its style as easily and with as little ill effect as men and women."

The Republicans cheered that statement. They construed it as a rebuke to the proposal of some Democrats that the platform for Mr. Roosevelt next year should concern revision of the Constitution.

William Randolph Hearst, who has been banging away at the New Deal in his newspapers, saw in the remark a constructive thought for the people of the nation to consider. He contends that "the visionaries and experimenters in Washington" lack political wisdom and "a knowledge of America and Americans."

The more we read over Mr. Landon's pointed paragraph, the more we wonder whether the Governor of Kansas has ever met the Governor of Massachusetts, and if so, what they said.

Mr. Landon contends that the style of government cannot change.

A study of the record of Massachusetts this year would indicate that he is not exactly correct in that thought.

As we were taught the rudiments of government, one of the great privileges given the people is that of voting for officeholders.

History teachers told us of the great fight put up by the colonies for freedom, of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, and of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States. They told of Massachusetts' great history and of the Constitution by which the State government is supposedly dictated.

When we heard this, we felt pretty swell to be living in this country and especially in this State.

But we wonder now just how the growing young men and women attending high school and college can be convinced that everything is the way the historians would have us believe.

Youthful students are told that the people elect men to office because those men want to serve their fellow citizens to the best of their ability and without any selfish motives.

Then they go out into real life and what do they find?

Governor James M. Curley distributing political patronage as if it were strawberries.

Lieutenant Governor Joseph L. Hurley and other State officials "yessing" the Governor day in and day out.

Governor's Councillors dickering for well-paying jobs, voting "right," and getting them.

Legislators accepting lucrative jobs on the State payroll.

And the common people forgotten!

What a picture!

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Instead of a continuation of the fine form of government that made every Massachusetts schoolboy and girl swell with pride, the picture today is one of politicians having a holiday while overburdened taxpayers dig deeper into their savings to pay the freight.

Mockery is being made of the right to vote.

People go to the polls and elect men to serve them for two year terms as State officials. They pick the men because they feel they are the ones best fitted to represent them in the councils of the State House.

And what are the men doing?

Quitting the jobs they begged people to give them!

Deserting their constituents to take better jobs but always remaining on the taxpayers' payroll!

And letting the Governor fill the positions with hand-picked appointees.

A new chapter is written every time the Executive Council meets.

And Fall River stands forth in the spotlight as a center of this political revolution that is making so little of the voting franchise of Massachusetts citizens.

It was Edmond Cote of this city who started the Governor's Councillors on a job-grabbing drive. He deserted his Republican colleagues to support Governor Curley and was rewarded with the \$5,000-a-year post on the Fall River taxpayers' payroll.

And Lieutenant Governor Hurley, also of this city, sanctioned the purely political deal, voting to confirm Mr. Cote's appointment.

Yesterday, J. Arthur Baker, Pittsfield Republican and member of the Executive Council, followed his buddy Mr. Cote out of the State House into a more lucrative post. He became a justice of the Superior Court, with the stamp of approval of Lieutenant Governor Hurley and Governor's Councillor Russell, both of this city, who are the two outstanding "yes-men" at the State House.

And the State House trade mart is still doing business.

It is even gossiped that Lieutenant Governor Hurley would be receptive to a judicial appointment if the fortunes of politics do not permit him to seek the gubernatorial election next year.

Times have changed.

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Today, in Massachusetts, we have the spectacle of men elected to high office by people who believed they would serve them faithfully and well for two years, doing everything in their power to get out of the positions and into more comfortable, more lucrative—and, they hope,—more permanent ones.

Elected as servants of the people, these men have repudiated the voters and become mere political slaves of James Michael Curley.

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### Pastor Tells Congregation Curley Using Armistice Day for Politics

The congregation in the First Baptist church at Arlington did not have all of the Governor's Armistice Day proclamation read to them on Sunday, it has been revealed by Rev. Grady F. Feagan, the pastor.

Assailing Governor Curley for characterizing Rev. Dr. Howard J. Chidley of Winchester as a "knave" merely because he protested against including political propaganda in the proclamation, Mr. Feagan said when he studied it he "determined that I could not conscientiously read it in full."

tense of an Armistice Day proclamation."

As a result he said, "I deliberately omitted the body of the proclamation which praised the present leadership as the embodiment of the faith of the leaders who have gone before, which declared for armaments \* \* \* and which lauded soldiery as the sole reason for our national preservation. At the time, I frankly told my congregation why \* \* \* I refuse to propagandize my people for the New Deal under the pre-



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### Bridge Cards Stacked.

Despite the protest of Mayor Murray, city officials, the Chamber of Commerce, business and other interests, the City Council has gone ahead and voted to accept the 1935 legislative act for reapportionment of the cost of repairing the old Slade's Ferry bridge.

It is only a short time since the Chamber of Commerce went to the trouble of getting official figures as to the cost of the undertaking and the expense attached to the proper maintenance of this old structure.

The Council seems to have lost sight of the fact that even if extensive repairs were made, Fall River and the adjoining towns of Somerset and Swansea would only have a 60-year-old span, a structure long ago condemned by competent engineers.

It is a serious mistake we believe to enter into this proposition of repair. As it stands, the bridge is a menace to navigation and will continue to be so, even if repaired. It should be torn down and the city and the towns across the river provided with a modern structure that will care for the transportation demanded in these days.

There is still a chance of securing a modern bridge, despite the seemingly adverse reports received from Washington. There has been no real united effort to secure a new bridge. The proposal has been blocked by the indifference, if not actual manipulation by state officials of purely political complex, who care little if anything for the wants of Fall River people, as long as their own personal and selfish desires are gratified.

If no application has been filed with the War Department as noted in reports yesterday, then it is time that the application was presented. Undoubtedly this matter will receive the attention of those who are vitally interested in the new bridge and no time should be lost in seeing that the papers are filed with the proper authorities.

We had been given what was believed to be definite assurance that plans for the new bridge had been sent to Washington and were being given consideration as a government project. It was expected also that there might be delay in reaching a decision on the matter, but at least belief was general that plans had been filed.

The entire proposition to date reeks of small time political play and the deliberate sacrificing of a project which means so much to the future of Fall River.

Lieut. Gov. Hurley should make answer to the demands of the people of his home city as to just what he has done in the cause of a new bridge.

The former mayor, wise in all ways political, knows or should know, just how far this matter has progressed. He has been acquainted with this undertaking for several years now. He has been amazingly silent, recently, however. Perhaps he knows of the secret dealings that have been interfering with the development of this big project.

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The lieutenant-governor should be able to fully enlighten his good neighbors and friends as to "his personal interest and efforts" toward providing a new bridge for this city.

Fall River officials, merchants, civic organizations, citizens, stand ready to give him all the assistance possible if he will be frank enough and honest enough to give evidence of his interest, if any, in this important matter.

Nearly three years ago the former mayor favored the demolition of the old structure and the construction of a new bridge.

A year ago the former mayor was happy to know that the new bridge would be built before his term at the State House was up.

But the cards are stacked.

Lieutenant Governor Hurley has been fooling the very people that sent him from City Hall to the State House. He has been heedless to the responsibilities of his position on the new bridge project.

He has been strong for Joe Hurley and Joe Hurley's relatives, strong for the personal publicity racket but deaf, dumb and blind when it comes to any sincere consideration for Fall River and "his good neighbors" here.

As far as Curley is concerned the new Fall River bridge proposal is just a memory, an empty political promise.

As for Hurley, he is playing second fiddle to his father Nero---as a devoted son should.

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Gov. Curley is perfectly willing to dance a political fandango while the courts fall into distrust and disesteem, but the people of the commonwealth cannot be so light-hearted and cavalier as they watch the ancient guardians of their rights brought low. The voice of the Boston Bar Association protesting against the appointment of former Executive Councilor J. Arthur Baker to a superior court judgeship echoed the indignation of the people at large against the cheapening of the courts of justice through political deals consummated with about as much finesse as a ward heeler practices.

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## Our Letter Box

### A Few Thoughts

To the Editor of The Sentinel:

I hope it is all right to ask you to reprint a few excerpts from an editorial that appeared in one of the Boston papers, Saturday.

It is my conception that the editorial page of a newspaper is that part of the paper, which, generally speaking, attempts to articulate or mould public opinion on timely matters. The editorial from which I quote deals with a subject that has been occupying the attention of about every one in Fitchburg; and we are certain to hear a lot more about it.

"Buying an election," is the headline of this editorial. It is about the relief business and its connection with the municipal election in Chelsea that is being held there today, (Tuesday).

After putting Gov. Curley "in right," (this Boston paper is a Curley supporter) it tells about wholesale job-giving on the eve of election and then goes on to say: "That this outrageous piece of business is an attempt to buy the Chelsea election with jobs is perfectly plain" — "unfair distribution of work has been going on for months" — "innumerable protests have been made against the practice but all in vain" — "the wholesale handing over of jobs in Chelsea shows that politics dominate entirely the giving out of these jobs. Commissioner of Public Works Callahan frankly admitted yesterday that these jobs are the perquisites of politicians. That is a sad state of affairs." . . . "It is cruel, besides being unfair to compel men desperately in need of work to appeal to some politician who will undoubtedly exact promise of political support and in some cases, something more substantial." . . . "all over the state there is a growing impression of resentment against political domination of this whole relief business." . . . "as for Chelsea, the remedy is in the hands of the voters of that city."

The same remedy was in the hands of the voters of Fitchburg last week Tuesday. One of our candidates for mayor got a bad licking for his temerity or intestinal fortitude in labeling that sort of relief business here, "a racket." "The spoils system, a vicious exploitation of the unfortunate for the benefit of a few." And, strange as it may seem, even in those quarters where, supposedly, intelligence prevails, the defeat was most pronounced. Too, he had received the endorsement of our "substantial citizens."

What are we to conclude? Did our election last week Tuesday articulate the public opinion in Fitchburg on the relief business, or was it merely the echo of mob action? The "Here and There" of your ed-

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Herald  
Belmont, Mass.

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## Murray Out For Seat In State Senate

The recent appointment of Senator Charles Cavanaugh of the Second Middlesex Senatorial District to the Clerkship of the Third District Court of Middlesex presages a special election to fill this seat after the turn of the year. Closely following Senator Cav-



GEORGE J. MURRAY  
Local Resident, Candidate for  
Seat in Massachusetts Senate

anough's appointment is the announcement this week of the candidacy of George J. Murray of Belmont for this important office.

Mr. Murray has long been identified with Democratic poli-

tics and was the founder of the Democratic movement in Belmont as well as the Belmont Democratic Club of which he was president for two terms.

Mr. Murray has been a resident of this town for eighteen years but is a native of Boston where he was for many years the chairman of the annual Paul Revere Celebration Committee by appointment of His Excellency, Governor James M. Curley when he was Mayor of Boston.

For more than thirty-five years he has held an important executive post with a large business organization. Mr. Murray favors a rotating plan for senatorial representation in this district and feels that it should now return to Belmont.

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### American Legion

Ward Snow and his committee are to be congratulated on the excellent dinner and entertainment they provided for the annual Armistice stag.

Everyone, including the contestants, was taken off his feet at the three rounds of knock down and dragout boxing contest put on by the fly-weight champion of the post. It was a "ducky" exhibition and will go down in the annals of the post as the battle of the short count.

Our commander offered to sing the "Wearing of the Green", but he would not render "How Am I Doing".

At the Armistice parade in Waltham the post turned out in full strength and received much favorable comment along the line of march. Going by the reviewing stand the delegation was greeted by Governor Curley and State Department Commander, John Walsh. As Aide to the Governor was one of our own comrades, Captain Oscar Bohlin, who is on the Governor's Military staff.

On Friday night, November 15, the Squadron of the Sons of the American Legion will meet at the Town Hall at 7:30. This will be a joint meeting with the Boy Scout Troop.

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### IT IS SAID

That this week is designated as honey and cheese week, in case you didn't know.

That these doctors who testify that a man was insane when he committed a murder, but sane before and after, make one sick in the stomach.

That a glance at the crowds of women who gamble at beano afternoons and evenings gives one an idea of their mental calibre.

That crap shooting is a kingly sport compared to beano.

That the latest thing in the market is stream lined turkeys.

That the voters of Chelsea did a good job in a most emphatic manner.

That fortunately we haven't got to knuckle down to a lot of cheap politicians in order to get into heaven.

That the sky record has been smashed. Fourteen miles straight up is quite a distance and it will be a long time before excursions are run to the stratosphere.

That That Everett Rotarians were pleased by the election of Rotarian Ed Voke as mayor of Chelsea.

That it is time something was done about these beano games, many of which are thinly disguised as charitable affairs, but really furnish a good living to the promoters at the expense of people who cannot afford to play.

That Gov Curley and his hand picked and politically bought council is raising havoc with the morale of the efficient office holders of the state.

That the appointment of Dick Grant to the public utilities commission does not please the thousands of investors in their stocks and bonds.

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### **OUR COURTS ARE SACRED**

The confirmation of "Judas" Baker by the Governor's Council this week places a stain upon the pages of Massachusetts history which will be difficult to erase. The people are stunned. Democrats and Republicans alike are shocked at such an abuse of the appointive powers of a governor. It is a serious condition when Councillors elected by the people are rewarded for political treachery, in order that their places may be filled with a person of different political faith. It is absolutely contrary to the expressed voice of the people to do so, and only unfaithful and unreliable public servants would enter into such a dastardly agreement. Yet Massachusetts has witnessed such a horrible spectacle upon several occasions this year.

Horrifying as has been the conduct of our chief executive in the past, when he desecrates the honored and respected judiciary of the Commonwealth, even his Democratic associates condemn him. Imagine a criminal brought before Judge "Judas" Baker. Suppose he is charged with robbery, forced to consider stealing to save his family from suffering. Will the Judge, who accepted his office as a bribe for violating the confidence of his constituents, be able to administer justice with any degree of respect? Will the public have confidence in a man who will stoop to such a level, as did this person who puts selfish interests ahead of the principles of his own political party? How can this man sitting upon a bench, do his duty with dignity, with impartiality and command the respect of the attorneys, the prisoner or the public at large? A judge in any Massachusetts Court has always been a man above suspicion, and never before could a finger of doubt be pointed at any of our honored Judiciary.

Compare this newly made Judge with our own beloved and respected Judge Frederick K. Swift. Here we find every virtue, every requisite and every qualification expected of the honorable profession. Here we find honesty, integrity and intellect combined with courage, character and a charming personality. When he presides justice prevails and the scales record the action of the Court with unerring accuracy. Assuming that the Curley made Baker was equally as well qualified, he always will be looked upon as a man who was selfish, who was a betrayer of his party and a man too petty to be compared with his honorable predecessors. We believe that Mr. Baker should resign from his responsible position if he hopes to see our Courts retain the sacredness and respect of the past. If he is a gentleman, a good American citizen and one who respects our laws, he will do so immediately.



itorial page, the day following the election, said, "The day's result proved the general futility of mob action against a uniformed line. . . . It is true that in this city there was all through the campaign evidence of ERA support. . . ."

A community is in a bad way when it discloses a susceptibility to mob action in settling its public affairs. The big question that confronts us is: Who will dare now to be a champion against the forces of destruction or any menace that may threaten the community Who will dare to mob?

It is admitted that the administration of this relief business everywhere has crystalized into a tremendous political force. The measure of that force and how well it is supported by substantial citizens is now a known quantity in Fitchburg. It is inconceivable that such a force can operate to the good of the community, its industrial interests, business enterprises, taxpayers, or any one else.

The age of martyrdom in the interest of the public weal is not ours. It will be interesting to see who will dare to chide this menacing political force. It is logical to ask: Whither Fitchburg?

Think?

P. S. Headlines, Sentinel, November 12. \$55,000 Appropriation Sought To Meet Welfare Overdraft.

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## GAZETTE

Haverhill, Mass.

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### Resignation of Wells

The resignation of Henry G. Wells, of Haverhill, as a member of the department of public utilities, means the loss to the state of an official who has developed a nation-wide reputation for high ability in the performance of the difficult duties of the important office that he has held since Calvin Coolidge was governor of Massachusetts.

Wells shortly will leave the service of the state to become associated with the firm of Stone and Webster and the loss the state thereby will suffer will be a result of another demonstration of Curley politics. Wells, it is safe to say, did not resign his public office because he was eager to retire from public service. He resigned because experience and competency are not requirements for appointment to public office under Curley. The requirements for appointment under Curley are the condition of being a Curley Democrat or of being a Republican who has stooped to the doing of political chores for Curley.

Wells is neither a Curley Democrat nor a Republican who does Curley's bidding. So he goes out and gets himself a good job in private enterprise and hands Curley his resignation. That's a smart procedure for him, but it's unfortunate for the public service; and particularly unfortunate when we consider the fact that, to succeed Wells the governor has appointed his irritating secretary, Richard Grant.

## NEWS

Gardner, Mass.

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### POLITICAL PROMOTIONS

Richard D. Grant, Governor Curley's radio denouncer of anti-Curleyites and the most expert troublemaker in the Governor's family, is to lose his job as secretary. He is receiving pay at the rate of \$5000 annually for his secretarial duties with nothing extra for his radio appearances.

Giving up \$5000 a year is not pleasant for the average man to contemplate but in Mr. Grant's case, he smiles. He is to step into a \$7000 job by appointment of the Governor as a member of the public utilities commission. That is no fly-by-night job either. It is good for five years. Some months ago, after a run-in with William A. Bodfish, an assistant secretary, Bodfish was "promoted" to be chairman of the appeal board on motor vehicle liability policies and bonds. Now Grant is "promoted." Frank L. Kane, director of the Governor's private employment agency, some of the perquisites of which Kane evidently sublet a few days ago to Melley of Chelsea, would-be mayor of that tempestuous city, is the next scheduled for "promotion." The Governor is listening to some prominent members of his party and acknowledging that vitriolic abuse over the radio by Grant, and bare faced handing out of jobs for political support of satellites, is doing damage to his political future.

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## Curley Politics

The politics of James M. Curley, Curleyism at its worst, was paraded before the people of Massachusetts in the act of Representative Melley, Chelsea candidate for the mayoralty and friend of Curley, in handing out nearly 1000 state department of public works jobs to Chelsea men during his campaign for votes, and in the appointment to the Superior court bench of Executive Councilor J. Arthur Baker of Pittsfield.

The issuance of warrants for the arrest of Angelo Purpura on charges of selling state jobs constitutes an illuminating commentary on this spectacle.

The most brazen bid for votes that we can recall was that of Melley, and it was a bid readily supported by two prominent members of Curley's administration—William F. Callahan, state commissioner of public works, and Frank L. Kane, head of the governor's employment office. They handed over to Melley almost 1000 state jobs and he handed them out to Chelsea men, obviously in an attempt to increase his strength at the polls. No small number of the Chelsea men who received these jobs went to work outside Chelsea in communities that already had unemployed men in need of public work.

The performance naturally inspired a howl of protest and indignation and was promptly repudiated by Curley. The governor told Callahan and Kane that their policy was wrong and that in the future jobs should be cleared through established employment agencies. But did the governor reprimand them for unethical conduct? Did he in his statement discussing their conduct point out the cheapness and the meanness and the evil of it? He did not. Instead, he pointed out the possible political consequences of their conduct. He said:

If workers were placed on behalf of one candidate and he were unsuccessful, it would be said that the man was your candidate and you would be condemned because he did not win.

Reading this statement, we must conclude that the Melley-Callahan-Kane performance was in accord with Curley's political technic. From the governor's point of view, it was bad because it was politically dangerous, not because it was inherently wrong.

One aspect of Curley's technic was splendidly illustrated in the Baker case. Baker is the councilor, elected as a Republican, who withheld his vote at a critical meeting and enabled Curley to obtain control of the council. The appointment to the bench is naturally interpreted as Baker's reward for playing Curley's game. Baker, of course, denies this, saying that he supported Curley when Curley made what seemed to him like good appointments because the people had

declared at the polls that they wanted Curley to run the state. This explanation of his conduct utterly ignores the fact that he was elected by Republicans and therefore was under obligation to heed their desires which could not be in accord with Curley's, because, if they had been, Baker would not have been elected.

No words of Baker can dispose of the fact that his acceptance of the appointment recorded him in public opinion as salesman of political service for political reward under conditions that a person of high political principles must condemn. Baker's clear duty was to refuse a favor from Curley.

The Purpura incident is a logical consequence of Curleyism. Purpura is charged with selling state jobs. Whether he is guilty or innocent or whether he had or had not power to deliver a job is irrelevant. The fact is that there is evidence that somebody thought he had such power and was ready to pay for its exercise.

This is a clear indication of what the people think of political practices when Curleyism is dominant. Curleyism, in the light of the Melley and Baker performances, is a form of political prostitution, in which jobs are the price of votes and in which political support buys jobs. Cash for jobs is a logical development of this technic.



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## UNDER THE STATEHOUSE DOME by the Bell Boy

It is barely possible that while they might regard reference to "the handwriting on the wall" as something related to Hallowe'en pranks, the average Democratic politician does know that something happened on November Fifth. It is quite as probable that in some instances the stunned satellities of His Excellency have not as yet entirely recovered complete consciousness. But even these have sufficient acumen to discern the fact that the Republicans are smiling and that those woe begone countenances on Beacon Hill are being worn by the former cocky, self assured supporters of Governor Jim.

For smile as they will, and its a sickly, wan sort of smile, these Democrats know that in many instances, yes, in most, the issue was purely and simply one of "Curleyism". In Worcester the Curley forces rallied the support of candidate Kelley and let it be known that any defeat of their candidate, which they of course did not expect would be construed as a blow at Curley and the present administration. Now they rather wish they had not let that word be spread about. And over in Lowell what a victory that was for Dewey Archambault, one of the most brilliant platform orators and shrewd vote getters in the Commonwealth. Archambault made one of the most effective and clever campaigns in the history of Lowell and today he is resting pretty as one of the state's leading individuals.

By the way, Vernon Marr, chairman of the Republican State Committee,

has his doubts about the entire integrity of all telegraph employes. For after he had sent messages of congratulations to the many successful Republican candidates he was amazed to find in Boston newspapers that Governor Curley had used almost his exact words in commenting upon the election. Chairman Marr is wondering whether the Governor was being sarcastic or whether he got his wires crossed and did not believe what he had read in the morning papers.

Quick to comment upon the result of the election were Henry Cabot Lodge, Robert Bushnell, Leverett

Saltonstall, Joseph B. Warner John Haigis, Sinclair Weeks and other outstanding Republicans. That one result will be the adding to the list of probate candidates for state offices is assured for once again there is happiness and contentment in the Republican ranks and once more they feel that the prospects are as bright as in the days of old.

One man who makes no public audible comment but who probably was in closer touch than any other individual with all parts of the state and who could and did forecast with a greater degree of accuracy than any other the result, is genial, smiling, shrewd Charlie Nichols. There are few men in Massachusetts with as keen an insight and knowledge of actual politics as this veteran campaigner from "out Chelmsford way". Charlie Nichols can sit in his office and make more contacts and estimate more closely the vote in each precinct than could the average man after spending months out in the field.

One story which did not break in Boston papers but was given plenty of space in "Editor and Publisher" was a true one to the effect that Christian Herter headed a group who were attempting to purchase the Boston Transcript. Certainly no brighter outlook could be painted for the loveable old Transcript than to fall safely into the hands of Cris Herter and associates. The new life and sound judgment needed to again make of the Transcript a vital, influential factor in Massachusetts could be depended upon in that event. The Transcript is as much an institution in Boston as the Statehouse itself and that has fallen into ways that are not entirely paved with financial success is a rather sad commentary upon the reading taste of the Bay State. But, like Massachusetts, "there she stands" and with just a few touches here and there, a bit of galvanizing into life in certain spots, the Transcript could be made not alone a paying venture but one which would again carry the weight it once did. It might also be added, just for the sake of completing the story, that another bidder for the paper is George Marshall, the Washington laundry magnate and owner of the Boston "Redskins" professional football team.

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**EDUCATION WEEK IN  
OUR SCHOOL**

Education Week is being observed in the Harwich schools this week, November 12—15

Parents are urged to take this opportunity to visit the schools and to meet the teachers of their children that all may work together with a better understanding.

**"The School and Democracy"**

"The free common school is America's greatest gift to humanity. It belongs to the heritage of intelligent and responsible citizenship established by our pioneering forefathers. It is necessary to the success of our Republic. The school is the surest guarantee of our personal rights. It is the safeguard of our political liberties. It is the bulwark of our representative institutions. The school seeks to enrich and ennoble home life. It develops the skill needed in agriculture and industry. It helps to awaken ambition and to establish character. It emphasizes responsibility to the common good and the general welfare. The free school is the expression of a mighty faith. Because we believe in ourselves, in democracy, and in the future, we seek through the schools to improve the quality of our lives."

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BOSTON—The first protest ever made by the Boston Bar association's committee on judicial selection on a governor's appointee to the judiciary was disposed of as an "unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence" by Governor Curley, as the governor's council confirmed yesterday the appointment of J. Arthur Baker, Republican councillor to the superior bench and replaced him in the council by Morton H. Burdick, a Democrat. These two moves gave the Democrats a 6-3 majority in the council.

With Councillor Grossman of Quincy, Republican, occasionally making the count 7-2, the council then proceeded to confirm several appointments of the governor. A motion to delay the Baker appointment until the council could consider the bar association's protest, was tabled.

In addition to Boles and Burdick the following appointments were made and confirmed:

Richard D. Grant, former-secretary to the governor, as a member of the public utilities commission at \$7000 a year, to succeed Henry G. Wells.

Robert Robinson, lawyer and ex-representative from old Ward 8, as a member of the Boston finance commission, to succeed William W. Saxe, who resigned, the Governor said, "to devote his full time to private business."

Deputy State Auditor Michael T. Kelleher of Cambridge as deputy in the state department of insurance to succeed Edgar P. Dougherty of Lowell, at \$3700 a year.

Bernard Sheridan of Somerville as state supervisor of marine fisheries to succeed William D. Desmond.

Harold L. Armstrong of Gloucester, to succeed M. Francis Buckley as clerk of the District court of Eastern Essex.

Dr. George V. Higgins of Randolph reappointed associate medical examiner of the 3d Norfolk district.

Charles M. Stiller, former secretary to Governor Cox, as secretary of the state board of auto insurance and appeals at \$2400, to succeed Grover C. Hoyt, whom the council removed from office.

Edmund J. Hoy, the governor's personal secretary, as first secretary, to succeed Grant.

Councillor Grossman joined the Democrats to confirm Robinson and Armstrong.

The Governor's appointment of Charles E. Flynn of Saugus as trial judge to succeed William E. Ludden, because it is a judicial appointment, went over to next week.

The governor's open break with the bar association recalled the spontaneous protest of members of the bar over the removal of Ethelbert V. Grabill as reporter for the Supreme Judicial court when the Governor, without following the custom of allowing the justices to recommend the appointment, gave the job to Edward D. Collins of South Boston.

"There is no section of the statutes which confers upon any organization the right to dictate appointments," said the Governor, who did not even bother to state that the letter from

the bar association committee would have no effect on his course as far as Councillor Baker was concerned.

The letter from the association's committee, signed by Francis J. Carney, Boston lawyer and member of the executive committee of the American Bar association, its chairman, avoided any comment on Mr. Baker's qualifications, but urged that "judges should be . . . men above suspicion in the public mind."

"Assume that Mr. Baker is qualified by character, training and experience to be a justice of the Superior court. But this communication is not primarily concerned with Mr. Baker," the letter declared.

"There is a vital principle at stake—the inviolability of the courts."

"The main point is what a great body of the public has been convinced are the facts. It would be bootless to call to the attention of Your Excellency newspaper and other comments that for Mr. Baker's failure to vote on a certain appointment of your excellency, his reward was to be an appointment to the Superior court bench."

The letter went on to say that the appointment of Baker "well might

have been 'post hoc sed non propter hoc,' but asked "Does your excellency believe that the people at large can be convinced that such is the fact?"

"If our government is to survive the people must have confidence in their courts."

The members of the committee, guilty of what the Governor called "gratuitous impertinence," include Mr. Carney, Daniel J. Lyne, Walter Powers, W. P. Murray, and Raymond S. Wilkins.

As the substitution of Baker by Burdick gives the Governor six Democrats on the governor's council, the appointment of Robinson to succeed Saxe continues the majority of Curley appointees, 4-1, on the Boston finance commission.

The opening of the council meeting was held up nearly an hour while the Democratic members of the council, along with Lt. Gov. Joseph L. Hurley, were closeted in the Governor's office. The group, who later acceded to every Curley request, included Councillors Brennan, Coakley, Hennessy and Russell.

As a result of yesterday's proceedings, Councillors Schuster, Brooks and Grossman are the only Republicans on the council. In addition to Mr. Baker, Councillor Cote was also sub-

tracted from the Republican group by means of an appointment. Mr. Cote was made a member of the Fall River finance commission.

J. Arthur Baker, 56, was born in Buzzards Bay and removed with his family at an early age to Pittsfield. He is a graduate of Boston University and Boston University Law school. After five years of practise in Boston, he practised law in Houston, Tex., returning to Pittsfield in 1911. His first public office was a position on the Pittsfield board of health. He made several unsuccessful campaigns for office, before his successful campaign for the council, including a defeat by Joseph B. Ely for the Berkshire district attorneyship, a failure to get the Republican nomination for secretary of state, and a failure to get the Republican nomination for state auditor in 1922.

Mr. Baker is a Mason, an Elk and a member of other fraternities. His salary on the Superior Bench will be \$12,000.

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Boston Mass.

Transcript  
Holyoke, Mass.

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## Gov. Curley Plans Several Changes In State Departments

BOSTON, Nov. 14 — Several changes will be made in state departments about Dec. 1, Governor Curley said today.

There are approximately 20 positions in the state service in which the terms of the present office holders expire.

BOSTON, Nov. 14 — Governor Curley will submit the name of a successor to the late De Witt Clinton De Wolf as commissioner of labor and industries at next Wednesday's meeting of the executive council, he announced today.



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## Judge Baker Says He Had Made No Deal With Curley

"I made no deal with Gov. Curley," said Judge Baker yesterday after the Executive Council ratified his appointment to the Superior Bench. "I never asked him to appoint me as a judge or to any other position. Now that I am appointed to the bench, I'm going to make good. A lot of mean and untruthful things have been said about me during the past few weeks, because I dared to approve Gov. Curley's appointments, but nobody has questioned my honesty or my integrity as a member of the bar. I'm going to be a humane judge and prove that the Governor made no mistake in naming me.

"The people of Massachusetts put James M. Curley in the Governor's chair by an overwhelming plurality. By their votes they plainly indicated that they wanted him to be Governor in fact as well as in name. It was not for me, a member of the Executive Council, to thwart the wishes of the Governor. My duty as a member of the Council, as I construed it, was to aid the Governor in his administration of the state's affairs and to give my assent to his appointments, when he named men fitted for the office. It was not for me to say that his appointments must be Republicans or Democrats. The only question I was concerned with was 'is the man qualified for the position to which the governor named him?'

He said he had found Gov. Curley considerate in his treatment of members of the Council. He had voted against several of the Governor's appointments he said, the Registrar of Motor Vehicles being one of them.

"I was frank with the Governor and he was frank with me in discussing such matters," said the Judge. I came to admire him because of his ability and what I believe to be a real desire on his part to give the state good government. In all the appointments he sent to the Council he spoke to me but twice. In one of these cases I voted against confirmation and in the other I voted for an excellent man for the place. I don't mind saying that that man was Police Commissioner McSweeney."

Judge Baker said the first he knew of Gov. Curley's intention to appoint him to the bench was when he read it in the papers. He thinks the way Republican politicians attacked him for his votes in the council aroused Mr. Curley's ire and sympathy. He said he thought the Governor felt that Councillor Baker was being unjustly treated by his Republican critics and when the fire against Baker was the hottest, he decided to show his appreciation of the

Councillor by elevating him to the Superior Court bench.

Mr. Baker would not discuss for publication the attack on the bar association on his appointment. He prefers to show them as a Judge, he said, that they were misinformed.

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Hudson, Mass.

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## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

By His Excellency  
JAMES M. CURLEY  
GOVERNOR  
A PROCLAMATION

1935

The schools of Massachusetts have been established by the people in order that there may be assured to the Commonwealth and to the nation a citizenship well fitted to discharge adequately the responsibilities that are an inherent part of Democratic government. It is most essential to the future welfare of the republic that the schools shall not only help our youth to acquire wisdom, but that they shall also develop within them complete loyalty to the ideals and institutions of the United States of America.

Massachusetts was one of the first states to establish a free school and its people have a right to be proud of a school system which, for three centuries, has reflected their devotion to the cause of education. The highest efficiency of the schools will be promoted only through the continued interest of parents and citizens, and it is a solemn responsibility that rests upon all our people to give serious thought and study to every proposal that promises better education for the youth of our land.

Therefore, in order that we may focus our attention upon the interests and problems of our schools, I call to the attention of our citizens of the Commonwealth the occurrence of the fifteenth annual American Education Week which will be observed throughout the nation from November eleventh to the seventeenth.

Chapter 96 of the Acts of 1935 provides that the Governor shall annually issue a proclamation calling for the proper observance of American Education Week as a period for special attention to the work of our schools, and in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter, I, James M. Curley, Governor of the Commonwealth, do hereby designate and set apart the week, November eleventh to the seventeenth as AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK and I earnestly request that citizens and parents take advantage of this opportunity to bring about a more widespread understanding and encouragement of one of the most fundamental enterprises of a free people, that of the education of its future generation. I also request that the week be observed throughout the Commonwealth by appropriate exercises in the schools and in the homes in order that this most important work may be carried out.

GIVEN at the Executive Chamber, in Boston,  
this fourth day of November, in the year of our  
Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-  
five, and of the Independence of the United  
States of America the one hundred and sixtieth.  
JAMES M. CURLEY.

By His Excellency the Governor,  
FREDERIC W. COOK,  
Secretary of the Commonwealth  
God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts



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## Things Talked About

### WHAT SOLACE

I dread the white on-creeping of  
the cold,  
Its frosty furtiveness, its stealthy  
tread;  
The glitter of the steely stars  
o'erhead  
Above the barren uplands far out-  
rolled.  
The sunrise splendors leave me  
unconsoled  
For perished loveliness and beauty  
dead—  
Young April's emerald, summer's  
poppy red,  
And for the glamour of the 'au-  
tumn's gold.

What shall I seek for solace when  
I hear  
The threatening wind about the  
gables moan,  
And see gaunt shadows where  
bare tree boles rise,  
To keep me heartened till the ver-  
nal year  
Shall come on flowery feet to claim  
its own?  
The warm and answering look  
within Love's eyes.

—Clinton Scollard in New York  
Herald.

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A Salem Evening News columnist  
says: "Politicians are discussing the  
possibility that County Commissioner  
Frederick Butler may be nomi-  
nated G. O. P. candidate for lieu-  
tenant-governor. Mr. Butler says:  
'If the lightning strikes me, who  
am I to hold out.' His intimates say  
the statement means he would ac-  
cept the nomination."

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Local members of the Rainbow  
Girls were pleased to learn of the  
honor conferred recently on one of  
their members, Miss June C. Ripley  
of Methuen, who has been appoint-  
ed Grand Religion of the Massachu-  
setts Grand Assembly, Order of  
Rainbow Girls. She has been ac-  
tively identified with the Lawrence  
Assembly of the organization for  
some time and has served it in vari-  
ous capacities. She will undoubt-  
edly make a fine addition to the  
state organization.

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The program presented for the  
entertainment of guests at the re-  
cent guest day of Betsy Ross Chap-  
ter, D. A. R., was given entirely  
by the members or their sons and  
daughters and it was thoroughly  
enjoyed. It featured readings,  
vocal and musical numbers that re-  
flected much credit on the per-  
formers. The young folks did their  
bit for the success of the program  
and the members of the chapter  
were pleased to learn that there

is so much real talent among the  
children of the members.

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The monthly meeting of the  
Greater Lawrence Ministers' associa-  
tion on Wednesday proved a re-  
union for the speaker, Rev. Wil-  
liam Mitchell, pastor of the Center  
Methodist church in Malden and  
Rev. George F. Beecher, pastor of  
First-Calvary Baptist church in this  
city. The meeting of Rev. Mr.  
Beecher and Rev. Mr. Mitchell at  
the association luncheon was the  
first in thirty years. It was in 1905  
that both ministers were serving  
parishes in Gloucester, Rev. Mr.  
Beecher as a permanent pastor and  
Rev. Mr. Mitchell as a student  
preacher, and during their minist-  
try there they became fast friends.

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Here and there—The city of  
Washington, D. C., alone has a pop-  
ulation of more than 105,000 on the  
federal payroll, or about one-fifth  
of the inhabitants of the District of  
Columbia.—The Grand Canyon is  
ten miles across from the North  
rim to the South rim. Comment has  
it that a letter mailed at a point on  
the North rim has to travel through  
three states to be delivered at a  
given address on the opposite side.  
—A 107-year old resident of St.  
Louis gives this recipe for longevity.  
He recommends long walks, good  
sleep, a friendly attitude toward  
everybody and no liquor or tobacco.

A merited tribute was accorded  
the retiring president of the Cardi-  
nal O'Connell division, L. A., A. O.  
H., Mrs. Agnes Costello of North  
Andover, at the annual installation  
exercises held last Sunday. At the  
close of the afternoon's program,  
the county president, Mrs. Theresa  
Regan of Salem, announced that  
she was appointing Mrs. Costello as  
a member of the county board of  
auditors. The appointment was de-  
served recognition of the many  
years of good work by Mrs. Cos-  
tello in the auxiliary.

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Paul Dominick, the six-year-old  
boy, who, according to Manager  
Charley Grimm, was partly respon-  
sible for the sensational winning  
streak that won the National League  
championship for the Chicago  
Cubs baseball club, has been signed  
by Hal Roach to appear in Our  
Gang comedies. The young man  
became the team's mascot early in  
September when they were six  
games behind the league-leading  
St. Louis Cardinals and the Cubs  
immediately started on its 21-game  
string of victories, during which  
time Grimm refused to let the boy  
out of his sight. Dominick left the  
east yesterday for Hollywood.

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Reports that Congressman Wil-  
liam P. Connery Jr. of this district  
might be a candidate for United  
States Senator next year were side-  
tracked by the congressman him-  
self last Sunday, when he was prin-  
cipal speaker at the communion  
breakfast of the Sacred Heart par-  
ish in Lowell and at which he de-  
clared that he was a candidate for  
re-election to Congress. He said:  
"I have already stated that if Gov-  
ernor Curley is not a candidate for  
the Senate, I will be a candidate."  
Congressman Connery made it  
plain, according to reports, that

Governor Curley expects to run for  
the U. S. Senate and will not seek  
re-election as governor.

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Talented hands can ever find art-  
istry in such a common place thing  
as table salt. Strolling through the  
business district yesterday the T.  
T. A. Man observed a salt repro-  
duction of Mirror Lake, Washing-  
ton, in the display window of a  
business establishment. The nat-  
ural settings of grass, water, slum-  
bering hillside and towering trees  
were duplicated in color, and in one  
corner was a Red Cross emblem,  
pertinent symbol at present. The  
T. T. A. Man viewed the art un-  
der ordinary day light, but the  
picture should be much more beau-  
tiful under the glare of artificial  
light which would bring out the  
brilliance of the crystals.

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Snow in the mountain ranges to  
the north came just a little too late  
for Lawrencians who went into the  
hill country over the holiday with  
the hope that they could do a lit-  
tle November skiing. They were  
disappointed a trifle because storms  
were expected but came after the  
week-ending parties had returned  
to the city. The mountain-climb-  
ing club members who like to trek  
over the snow paths must be pa-  
tient just a little while longer and  
there will be plenty of sport for  
them right in their own back-yard.  
The season is rushing up on us.  
There will be more than enough  
snow to go around. Too much for  
some of us.

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Richard D. Grant's appointment to  
the public utilities commission  
holds more than passing interest  
for the people of Lawrence because  
the man Grant succeeds has been  
acting as chairman of the commis-  
sion hearing the petition of the  
city of Lawrence to reduce the elec-  
tric rates in this city. According  
to news from the state house,  
Henry G. Wells of Haverhill, who  
has acted as chairman of the hear-  
ings held to date on the Lawrence  
matter, will retire from state ser-  
vice November 20 and Grant's ap-  
pointment will become effective the  
next day. The next hearing dates  
for the Lawrence case are Nov. 25  
and 26. If Commissioner Wells re-  
mains to conclude his duties in the  
Lawrence case it may be his last  
act as an officer of the commission  
to pass on the Lawrence petition.  
Mr. Wells and his associates have  
listened to a mass of evidence  
presented by the city's experts.

For the past month Mrs. George  
Mingins of Center street, Methuen  
has had as her guest her sister,  
Mrs. Margaret Ferguson of Aus-  
tralia, who, after completing a  
three months' vacation in England,  
came on here to visit relatives.  
Mrs. Ferguson's home is near Mel-  
bourne, Australia, and before his  
death her husband was mayor of  
the township. This is Mrs. Fer-  
guson's first visit to Greater Law-  
rence in nine years and she can  
see many changes and considerable  
improvement. She will leave Sat-  
urday for Vancouver, B. C., to visit  
other relatives before returning to  
her home, and she is looking for-  
ward to warm weather, because in

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Australia the farmers are just planting their crops and summer is just beginning.

A prediction that grocers in 1936 will do the biggest year's business in a decade if they utilize newspaper advertising consistently and intelligently was made to the thousands of members of the Independent Grocers' Alliance by its president, J. Frank Grimes.

In a letter to members of the Alliance, Mr. Grimes stressed the point that welfare of the independent merchant and his newspaper are irrevocably bound together.

"Through the depression years, rather than reduce newspaper advertising space, we have steadily augmented it," Mr. Grimes said.

"The fellows who used the depression as an excuse to curtail their advertising have steadily made their plight worse and now are paying the penalty for their shortsightedness."

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"Always a Good Neighbor." That tribute paid by an Essex street business establishment to the late Arthur L. Cole leaves little else to be said. The term, "Good Neighbor" means everything that is fine and upright; helpful and friendly; respected and admired. Arthur L. Cole achieved all of those distinctions during his long connection with the commercial life of the community. A quiet, mild mannered man, he was at the same time an able and progressive executive. Those who knew him liked him immensely. His many fine traits commended him to all. He was popular with the memberships of all organizations graced with his affiliation; business groups respected and sought his judgment in important matters. The sorrow generally expressed at his passing was deep felt and sincere. A bright record remains as his memorial.

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In Tuesday night's issue the T. T. A. Man carried a query that appeared in the Newburyport News as to who could remember conditions at Salisbury Beach years ago when the Ocean Echo and other new buildings at the beach were unheard of. Early Wednesday morning the T. T. A. Man had a visitor in the person of Harvey Arnold of Concord street, and he showed the writer a picture taken at the beach on August 1, 1881. Five men, including Mr. Arnold, were in the picture that was taken on the sands with the men dressed in old-fashioned bathing suits.

Mr. Arnold was prompted to bring the picture to this office after reading Tuesday's issue and he informed the T. T. A. Man that Salisbury Beach at the time the picture was taken had but few houses and the centre with all the attractions was unknown. He and other local people going to the beach went by boat from Haverhill to the Black Rocks. Mr. Arnold told the T. T. A. Man that he went to Salisbury Beach last summer and he said that he hardly knew the place. Mr. Arnold will observe his 76th birthday in February.

## TRIBUNE

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"Curley seems not to have learned the lesson which the voters of Worcester, Lowell and Chelsea and other municipalities have recently sought to teach; he can be made to learn only through the overwhelming thrashing which he will be given next November if he attempts to continue living at the public trough. I hope to be able to give a little 'nudge' to the plurality which will be rolled up against him."

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## STATE HOUSE NEWS IN BRIEF

### Grossman Not Candidate for Lieutenant-Governor He Declares.

BOSTON, Nov. 14—Rumors have persisted that Joseph B. Grossman, a Republican of Quincy, and a member of the executive council, would be a candidate for the Republican nomination of lieutenant-governor, but he denied it yesterday and said that he was a candidate for reelection as a councillor. When asked if he was a candidate for lieutenant-governor, he replied: "My candidate for lieutenant-governor is Associate Judge Kenneth D. Johnson, of Milton. I am not a candidate but will seek reelection. Further I hope to have the opportunity of serving under another Republican governor."

Last Friday, an unidentified man carried a cat to the Animal Rescue League because he said the animal had "been acting queerly." He showed a wound on his arm, where he said the cat had scratched him. The cat later died of rabies and the authorities are trying to trace the ownership of the feline, which the unidentified man said was a market cat. He said he was an employee of a market in the Back Bay. The authorities are trying to learn if anyone has been bitten by the animal.

The city of Worcester stands third among the manufacturing cities of the state, on the basis of value of products manufactured and second in the number of wage earners employed. The metal industries prevail and 48.1 per cent of the factory payroll for the city is paid from them, the records show. In 1934 the number of manufacturing establishments in the city was 484 with a capital investment of \$128,057,104, and the value of all products manufactured was \$109,341,585.

Yesterday members of the executive council indicated that the distribution of the \$22,000 reward offered by the state in the Millens-Faber case, may be referred to the courts for an opinion. The council is to meet Tuesday to consider the award. Col. Paul G. Kirk had recommended a basis of the awards, but also suggested to the council that it be adjudicated by the courts.

Charles G. Wood, of Concord, former conciliator in the U. S. Department of Labor, is a candidate for the chairmanship of the state board of conciliation and arbitration, to succeed Edward Fisher, the present chairman, whose term expires Dec. 1. Wood resigned from the Federal department after an altercation with Secretary Perkins. He at one time served on the state board. It has been rumored for some time that Rep. C. F. Nelson Pratt, a Saugus Republican, has been the Governor's choice for the job. He was said to have lobbied actively for the passage of the Governor's bond issue bill.

In their drive against speedsters on the Southwest cut-off, near Worcester, the state police on Tuesday stopped 30 cars and booked 21 drivers for traffic violations. No accidents were reported but there have been three fatal accidents there in the past two weeks.

Yesterday Registrar of Motor Vehicles Frank A. Goodwin restored an operator's license taken from Raymond V. Berrette, chauffeur for Lieut.-Gov. Joseph L. Hurley, two months ago, when Berrette was charged with negligent driving.

Gov. James M. Curley is to go to New York Saturday to witness the football game between Georgetown and Manhattan. The Governor's son, Leo, is a member of the Georgetown football squad.

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## BROOKS DENOUNCES ACTS OF GOV. CURLEY

### Accuses Him of High-Handed Manipulation of His Council

BOSTON, Nov. 14 (AP)—Protests against Governor James M. Curley's "high handed manipulation" of the executive council, made tonight by Councillor Frank Brooks, Republican, were branded as "puerile" by the Democratic Chief Executive.

The direct cause of Brooks' charges, J. Arthur Baker of Pittsfield, former member of the council, a Republican whom the Governor appointed to the Superior Court bench despite the protests of the Boston Bar Association, denied he had made a "deal" with Curley. He will take office Monday.

Brooks declared he had never witnessed such "flagrant abuse of power as that evidenced in the high handed methods employed by our present Governor to gain control of the Governor's council and to thus carry out his will."

"By manipulation," he asserted, "Curley had converted the Republican majority of five to four to a 'body where there are but three Republicans and six Democrats'."

"The action," he continued, "constitutes a direct slap in the face to the voters of the state."

The result, he charged, is that "in matters of gravest import to the public the Democratic majority suspends the rules to push through appointments regardless of protests."

Referring to Baker's injunction Brooks said the "Democratic members of the council delayed proceedings fully an hour while they held a caucus on the appointments, deciding naturally enough to obey their master's voice."

Governor Curley, replying to the Watertown Councillor's heated objections, declared the "puerile protests" might carry some weight if Baker had at any time supported or favored confirmation of any one other than a Republican.

The Council, he added, "is elected to act in an advisory capacity in the transaction of business of the State and the executive department." If all the councillors voted like Brooks, he said, "there would be no business transacted other than that which was beneficial to the Republican party regardless of its benefit or injury to the State as a whole."

Judge Baker, earlier today, said he "never asked him (Curley) to appoint me as a Judge or to any other position. Now that I am appointed to the bench, I'm going to make good."



# COUNCIL SEATS BAKER DESPITE BAR PROTEST; DOUGHERTY DISPLACED

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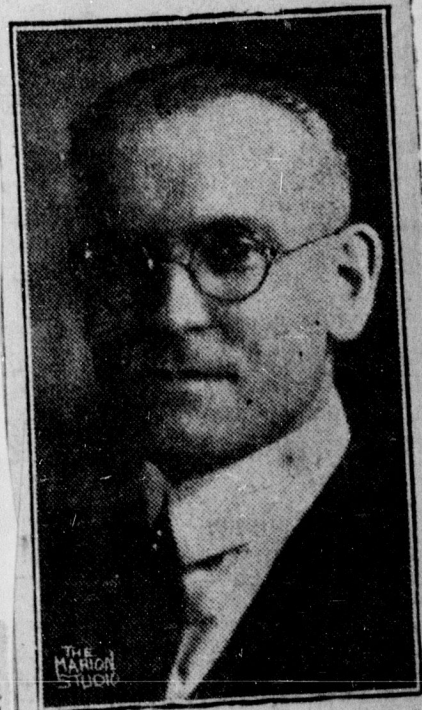
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MORE POLITICS?

Nothing that we can recall in the career of Richard D. Grant, the governor's peppery radio mouth piece, indicates the possession of a calm and judicial mind, such as the head of a state commission to regulate public utilities ought to have, but that makes no difference, either to Governor Curley or to the situation as a practical matter, since the Governor's Council is now a mere rubber stamp and whatever the governor says goes.

The governor's own idea, if one may judge by his recent outgivings, is that the Public Utilities board has been too much concerned for the earnings of the companies engaged in such activity, and too little for the consumers—although, from all that appears, most of the consumers are sufficiently satisfied to make bitter complaints rather rare. This, however, is never the politician's theory. It is regarded as good politics to bedevil every sort of public service and to talk as if it were, as a matter of course, grinding down the face of the public it serves, making naught of the reciprocal duty of the state to enable at least a fair return from the business done. There is a possibility that some public services exact too high charges even under regulation, but we suspect it is very unusual just the same. It is perfectly certain that most of the assaults are cheap political bunkum addressed to the ears of the thoughtless, in eager expectation of getting a hand.

Even Mr. Roosevelt has stooped to this form of demagoguery on occasion and has talked as if nobody had any interest in profitable public utilities, outside of a small group of greedy and over-fed capitalists—ignoring the widespread diffusion of their securities among banks and insurance companies, trusteeships and the like, in which are invested the small funds of millions of common people.

In the Grant appointment, Governor Curley seems to us to be running true to form. It provides a good salary for a personal adherent—and what else are the offices for? As for the Council, thanks to the complacency of alleged Republicans who went over to the governor and got their recognition, it can be depended upon now to confirm any sort of choice the governor sees fit to make. Worst of all, we seem to face something more than another year of it; but at least people by this time must realize what they did to themselves in 1934, when they fell over themselves in a mad lust for "a change" from the wicked Republicans, and preferred Hon. James Michael Curley to Hon. Gaspar Bacon because they wanted a man of the people, rather than a high-grade public servant whose chief sin was that he was so lucky as to be born rich.

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Nota Bene

Why delay? Join the Red Cross today!

Now supposing the nomination should land on Landon?

How about changing the name of Eastport to Quiddy-pro-Quoddy?

If we really could get back to the horse-and-buggy days it might be a whole lot safer for the Roosevelt boys.

Thoreau went to jail rather than obey a law he didn't like. So did a lot of moonshiners during the Noble Experiment.

Italy's scheme for growing rabbits to combat a food shortage looks like a hare-raising feature of modern warfare.

"Bossy" has already been twice mayor of Newburyport and apparently aims to tie the record of Dick Whittington.

If those sanctions ever do go into effect, what's the need of any slogan, "Buy Italian," for Italy? She'll jolly well have to.

Dr. Tugwell has been making speeches about the balanced budget. Isn't he rather wasted on the Department of Agriculture?

It may not last, but Brother Theodore J. Hoover seems to have had a fleeting moment in the spotlight hitherto monopolized by Herbert.

Marcus Coolidge might like to go back to the Senate, but may have to reckon with the ambitions of Mr. Curley—not to mention some good Republican.

Local firemen have enrolled 100 per cent in the Red Cross, apparently appreciating the fact that the organization is always ready to respond to an alarm.

Bishop Hay of Alabama thinks the average college professor is the biggest fool known. But the boys who pull up the goal posts after the game seem to us to run them close.

The silver purchase policy appears to be about as much of a flop as the gold policy of the administration. It's the things we know for certain but that aren't so that make the trouble.

In Dick Grant the governor evidently thinks he has found a Public Utilities commissioner who will think more of the consumers' interests—but it still isn't desirable for him to think of nothing else.

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Dr. Peterson to Stay at Post

WORCESTER, Nov. 14 (U.P.)—Rev. Dr. Morris Peterson, who resigned his pastorate because he was "tired of being criticized for being a Democrat," has changed his mind.

Acceding to a vote of the trustees and deacons, Dr. Peterson last night withdrew his resignation as pastor of the First Swedish Baptist church.

The minister was appointed to a state office following his active support of Governor Curley in the election campaign last year.

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Annoyed and possibly alarmed by the uniform rebuffs the voters of Massachusetts cities and districts have given to his administration of late, Governor Curley held aloof from the recent Chelsea contest. Mr. Meeley had made it especially dangerous for the governor to support him, by his much criticized action of assigning relief work in what was widely interpreted as a bid for votes. Nevertheless the governor could hardly dissociate himself entirely from a man who had been so closely allied with him; and Mr. Voke's election must in consequence be interpreted as another blow at the present state administration. It may be remarked that Governor Curley himself carried Chelsea in 1934, 7373 to 2751.



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**GOV. CURLEY CLUB  
MEETS TONIGHT**

Mrs. Theresa V. McDermott, president of the Governor Curley Women's Democratic Club of Lowell, announced last night that a special meeting of her organization will be held at 8 o'clock tonight in Memorial hall of the City Library building. Business to come before the group will include a report on the recent Governor Curley ball.

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**Curley to Name  
DeWolf Successor**

BOSTON, Nov. 14, (U.P.)—Governor Curley will submit the name of a successor to the late DeWitt Clinton DeWolf as commissioner of labor and industries at next Wednesday's meeting of the executive council, he announced today.

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**To Make Changes  
in State Depts.**

BOSTON, Nov. 14, (U.P.)—Several changes will be made in state departments about Dec. 1, Governor Curley said today.

There are approximately 20 positions in the state service in which the terms of the present office holders expire.

The governor failed to name those whom the changes would affect.

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**The Governor's Opportunity**

**G**OV. JAMES M. CURLEY today stands in a position to render a real service to Massachusetts industry. With the regrettable passing of De Witt C. De Wolf, Commissioner of the State Department of Labor and Industries, the labor post, one of considerable power and importance, is now open to appointment.

The scramble for the position will be wild. It has been in the past, with Labor itself advocating candidates, industrial leaders recommending a commissioner, and in addition the inevitable list of political names submitted to the Governor.

Massachusetts is definitely a manufacturing state. Its labor problems are many and diversified. Its Department of Labor and Industries is the clearing house for these questions.

This State has today, according to William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, "one of the most active and progressive state federations of labor in the country." Massachusetts is one of the most progressive industrial states in the Union. Workers and the employers need a leader in the State House chair to co-ordinate and consolidate every gain made in these days of tense feeling between the workingman, his employer, and the government. Will Governor Curley make the most of this opportunity?

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**Turnpike—Four Lanes  
Planned on Worcester Cut-Off**

Governor Curley today assured Massachusetts motorists and Public Works Commissioner Callahan that the eight-mile-long southwest cut-off from the new Worcester turnpike going to Springfield and Hartford would be enlarged from three lanes to four lanes next spring. He said the funds would be voted by the Legislature or obtained from the Federal Government. Six fatalities within 48 hours were reported on this road a week ago. It is said that most crashes occur in the middle lane as cars are passing.



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—Four Metropolitan policemen, including Leon R. Pierce of 88 Lake avenue, will be reinstated to duty, Governor Curley announced the past week, and six new Metropolitan officers will be appointed. The four reinstated declined to do police duty in Boston during the Boston police strike.

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

By His Excellency

JAMES M. CURLEY

GOVERNOR

A PROCLAMATION

1935

The schools of Massachusetts have been established by the people in order that there may be assured to the Commonwealth and to the nation a citizenship well fitted to discharge adequately the responsibilities that are an inherent part of Democratic government. It is most essential to the future welfare of the republic that the schools shall not only help our youth to acquire wisdom, but that they shall also develop within them complete loyalty to the ideals and institutions of the United States of America.

Massachusetts was one of the first states to establish a free school and its people have a right to be proud of a school system which, for three centuries, has reflected their devotion to the cause of education. The highest efficiency of the schools will be promoted only through the continued interest of parents and citizens, and it is a solemn responsibility that rests upon all our people to give serious thought and study to every proposal that promises better education for the youth of our land.

Therefore, in order that we may focus our attention upon the interests and problems of our schools, I call to the attention of our citizens of the Commonwealth the occurrence of the fifteenth annual American Education Week which will be observed throughout the nation from November eleventh to the seventeenth.

Chapter 96 of the Acts of 1935 provides that the Governor shall annually issue a proclamation calling for the proper observance of American Education Week as a period for special attention to the work of our schools, and in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter, I, James M. Curley, Governor of the Commonwealth, do hereby designate and set apart the week, November eleventh to the seventeenth as AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK and I earnestly request that citizens and parents take advantage of this opportunity to bring about a more widespread understanding and encouragement of one of the most fundamental enterprises of a free people, that of the education of its future generation. I also request that the week be observed throughout the Commonwealth by appropriate exercises in the schools and in the homes in order that this most important work may be carried out.

GIVEN at the Executive Chamber, in Boston, this fourth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixtieth.

JAMES M. CURLEY.

By His Excellency the Governor,

FREDERIC W. COOK,

Secretary of the Commonwealth

God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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Most readers will agree with the following from the Rutland Herald:

"Neither holiday proclamations nor the pulpit should be used as media for disseminating political propaganda which seems to put Gov. James M. Curley in the wrong on two counts. Not only has he been guilty of using an Armistice day proclamation as a means of extolling the administration, but he must have known that, according to custom, ministers of all denominations would be called upon to read the document from their pulpits. Dr. Howard J. Chidley, Winchester, Mass., Congregational minister who has criticized Gov. Curley for thus introducing politics where no politics should be evident, is entirely justified in his arraignment of Curley. He asked if 'the ministers of the gospel in Massachusetts must be the unwilling mouthpieces for the interests of a political party when they read a proclamation?' All right-thinking people will promptly uphold the good doctor and emphatically reply 'no' to the above question."

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NEWS  
Newburyport, Mass.

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## State House News in Brief

(Special to the News).

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## STANDARD

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Burdick Quickly Sworn in  
as Councillor to  
Break Tie

## BAKER TAKES OFFICE

Republican Opposition Is  
Overridden as Council  
Backs Governor

Special to Standard-Times

BOSTON, Nov. 14—Refusal of Executive Councillor James J. Brennan of Somerville to vote for confirmation of Michael T. Keller as a deputy insurance commissioner threatened Governor Curley's control of the council for a brief period yesterday and quick action to administer the oath of office to Morton H. Burdick, the new councillor, to succeed Judge J. Arthur Baker, was necessary to save the situation.

When his appointment to the Superior Court was confirmed, Judge Baker resigned as a Councillor. That left only Lieutenant-Governor Joseph L. Hurley and seven Councillors to act on subsequent appointments. Mr. Burdick was confirmed, 5 to 3, and several other appointments were approved, the five Democrats voting in favor and the three remaining Republicans voting against confirmation.

When the Kelleher name was submitted, Councillor Brennan, Democrat, joined with the three Republicans in favor of postponing action on the appointment. The motion was killed on a tie vote. Then, on the direction question of confirming Mr. Kelleher, the Somerville Democrat, voted with the three Republicans in the negative. The tie vote blocked confirmation, and the Governor was in a hole.

Councillor Daniel H. Coakley moved for a recess, stating that Judge Baker wished to get away and that he should be sworn in as judge before leaving. During the recess, Governor Curley administered the oath to the judge and also to Councillor Burdick, who immediately took his seat as a member of the Council.

### Burdick's Vote Decides

The recess over, the Council reconsidered its action on Mr. Kelleher, and his appointment was confirmed, 5 to 4, with Councillor Burdick casting the deciding vote and Councillor Brennan continuing to vote with the three Republicans against confirmation.

At various times during the year, Councillor William G. Hennessey of Lynn and Councillor Brennan, Democrats, have refused to follow the Governor's leadership and have opposed certain appointments. It was because of their previous action on some occasions that Republicans yesterday were encouraged to believe it might be possible to block confirmation of Judge Baker, and there were conferences in the Governor's office prior to the Council meeting which added somewhat to the hopes of the anti-Baker forces.

Both Democratic Councillors, however, stated that they intended to vote to confirm Judge Baker and were recorded in favor when the session opened.

### Baker Vote 5 to 3

Judge Baker was confirmed by a vote of 5 to 3, with Lieutenant-Governor Hurley, Councillors Coakley, Russell, Brennan and Hennessey in favor, and Councillors Frank A. Brooks, Joseph B. Grossman and Winfield A. Schuster, Republicans, voting against confirmation.

Councillor Burdick's confirmation was of the same line-up.

The appointment of Mr. Kelleher to be a deputy insurance commissioner brought about the displacement of Edgar F. Dougherty of Lowell, whose term, it was ruled, ended with that of Merton L. Brown as insurance commissioner, although Mr. Dougherty has held over as a deputy since.

Confirmation of Judge Baker was opposed yesterday by the Boston Bar Association's committee on judicial selection. Francis J. Carney, chairman, sent a letter to Governor Curley asking that the appointment be withdrawn. President Carney also sent a letter to each member of the council, requesting that unless the Baker ap-

continue

pointment was withdrawn, the members refrain from voting to confirm it. The protest was based on reports that Judge Baker's appointment was the result of an arrangement by which he was being rewarded for action taken by him as a member of the executive council.

Governor Curley branded the letter from Mr. Carney as "an unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence," and refused to withdraw the Baker appointment.

#### Other Appointments

The other following appointments were made and confirmed:

Richard D. Grant, ex-secretary to the Governor, as a member of the Public Utilities Commission at \$7,000 a year, to succeed Henry G. Wells.

Robert Robinson, lawyer, as a member of the Boston Finance Commission, to succeed William W. Saxe, who resigned, the Governor said, "to devote his full time to private business."

Bernard Sheridan of Somerville as state supervisor of marine fisheries to succeed William D. Desmond.

Harold L. Armstrong of Gloucester, to succeed M. Francis Buckley as clerk of the District Court of Eastern Essex.

Dr. George V. Higgins of Randolph reappointed associate medical examiner of the Third Norfolk District.

Charles M. Stiler, ex-secretary to Governor Cox, as secretary of the State Board of Auto Insurance and Appeals at \$2,400, to succeed Grover C. Hoyt, whom the Council removed from office.

Edmund J. Hoy, the Governor's personal secretary, as first secretary, to succeed Grant.

Councilor Grossman joined the Democrats to confirm Robinson and Armstrong.

The Governor's appointment of Charles E. Flynn of Saugus as trial justice to succeed William E. Ludden, because it is a judicial appointment, went over to next week.

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#### HARSH WORDS

The Boston Bar association, in a protest believed to be without precedent, asked Governor Curley yesterday to withdraw his nomination of Executive Councillor J. Arthur Baker, Republican, to the state superior bench. The reasons advanced by the Bar association appeared to many citizens, regardless of party affiliations, to be sound and valid, in view of recent developments. But the governor called the protest an "unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence," and characterized the association as "a super-perpetuating institution with membership in each succeeding year dictated by the association."

Isn't it strange the way harsh words sometimes become boomerangs! The appointment of Mr. Baker seems to many citizens to be an unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence toward the judiciary of the commonwealth, tending to undermine the confidence of the people in the courts. And what could be more "super-perpetuating" than a political machine that hands out appointments to the superior bench as a part of its spoils system, regardless of the fitness of the appointed. Talk about dictating! Where were the good judgment and common sense of the executive council members yesterday, when they confirmed this brazen appointment?

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### State House Briefs

BOSTON, Nov. 14—Insurance Commissioner Francis J. Decelles yesterday afternoon made two changes in the personnel of his department, both being confirmed by the Executive Council as to salaries stipulated.

Edgar P. Dougherty of Lowell was displaced as second deputy commissioner, and Michael T. Kelleher of Cambridge, who has been second deputy auditor in the department, was promoted to succeed him at a salary of \$3780 a year. Dougherty's term expired with the term of former Commissioner Merton L. Brown, but he had been continued in the position.

Registrar Frank A. Goodwin of motor vehicles restored the driving license of Raymond V. Berrette, chauffeur for Lieut.-Gov. Joseph L. Hurley of Fall River, which was taken from him two months ago for negligent driving in Taunton. At a sitting of the criminal superior court of Bristol County at New Bedford, Berrette withdrew an appeal from a \$25 fine imposed in the Taunton court, and the fine was paid.

Governor Curley will go to New York Saturday to see the Georgetown-Manhattan football game, his son, Leo, playing on the Georgetown team.

Councilor Joseph B. Grossman, Republican, of Quincy, said he would seek reelection, denying published reports he would seek the G. O. P. nomination for Governor. "My candidate for Lieutenant-Governor is Associate Justice Kenneth Johnson of Milton," he explained. "I am not a candidate but will seek reelection. Further, I hope to have the opportunity of serving under a Republican Governor."



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## CONFIRMATION OF BAKER GIVES PITTSFIELD THREE JUDGES IN MAJOR COURTS

Judge John Crawford Crosby and Judge William A. Burns Are Other Two—Judge Baker May Preside at Naturalization Sitting Here in December—Defends Actions as Member of Governor's Council

With the confirmation yesterday at Boston by the Executive Council of former Councillor J. Arthur Baker of this city as a Superior Court justice, Pittsfield now has three resident judges of the major courts, Judge John Crawford Crosby of the Supreme Judicial Court, Judge William A. Burns and Judge J. Arthur Baker of the Superior Court.

Judge Crosby is the oldest one in point of service.

Interest centered today in where Judge Baker would make his first official appearance on the bench. Some conjectured that he might be given his first assignment at a naturalization sitting of the court in this city, as for many years Judge Baker has been much interested in naturalization and Americanization work and has instructed many immigrants in matters qualifying them for later citizenship. The next sitting for naturalization purposes here comes late in December.

### Foss Named Crosby

Judge Crosby was named originally to the superior court by Governor William L. Douglas (1905) with whom he ran as Lieutenant Governor. He was elevated to the Supreme Court bench by Governor Foss in 1913. Judge Burns was appointed in 1921 by Governor Channing H. Cox who was Governor (1921-1925).

In the cases of Judge Crosby and Judge Burns, the bar took formal recognition of their selection, dinners being tendered in their honor. The chief justice makes the assignments though not all novitiates have been in the home town of the new judge, possibly on the theory that he should be given an opportunity to accustom himself to the judicial environment before appearing on the bench among the folks at home. The commission of Judge Oliver Wendell Holmes as chief justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court was read in this city where his father spent "seven blessed summers," as he wrote in after years, and where his son used to come with him.

A sitting of the superior court with Judge Thomas Jasper Hammond presiding, has just adjourned.

There will be a sitting of the court for naturalization the last week in December and one in North Adams at the same time. There will be no other sitting of the superior court until January. That will be the criminal term.

Judge Burns presided at a naturalization sitting elsewhere before he came here. Judge Crosby did not hold here the first sitting of his judicial career. That was in the eastern part of the State, Plymouth, if memory serves.

### No Resolutions

When Mr. Baker quit his connection with the Governor's Council yesterday to become a superior court judge, he did so without the customary resolutions adopted by the Council, commending him for his services on that body.

Had such resolutions been introduced similar to those adopted when Edmond J. Cote resigned recently to become chairman of the Fall River Finance Commission, they would have been opposed in all probability by Mr. Baker's three Republican colleagues, Councilors Schuster of East Douglas, Brooks of Watertown and Grossman of Quincy. These three voted against the confirmation of Mr. Baker as judge, thereby establishing the first instance in the history of the Council when that body failed unanimously to confirm an appointment to the superior court.

### Baker Defends Self

In an interview with Michael E. Hennessey, veteran political writer of the Boston Globe, following confirmation of the Governor's appointment by the Council Judge Baker defended himself against charges by prominent Republicans who had accused him of party treachery and of aiding Governor Curley in turning a Republican majority in the Council into a Democratic majority, thus giving the Governor a free hand to dismiss Republican office-holders and put Democrats in their places.

"I made no deal with Governor Curley," Judge Baker told Mr. Hennessey. "I never asked him to appoint me as a judge or to any other position. Now, that I am appointed to the bench, I'm going to make

good. A lot of mean and untruthful things have been said about me during the past few weeks, because I dared to approve Governor Curley's appointments, but nobody has questioned my honesty or my integrity as a member of the bar. I'm going to be a humane judge and prove that the Governor made no mistake in naming me.

"The people of Massachusetts put James M. Curley in the Governor's chair by an overwhelming plurality. By their votes they plainly indicated that they wanted him to be Governor in fact as well as in name. It was not for me, a member of the Executive Council, to thwart the wishes of the Governor. My duty as a member of the Council, as I construed it, was to aid the Governor in his administration of the State's affairs and to give my assent to his appointments, when he named men fitted for the office. It was not for me to say that his appointments must be Republicans or Democrats. The only question I was concerned with was 'Is the man qualified for the position to which the Governor named him?'

### Voted for Cote

"As you know, my troubles started when I voted to confirm Councillor Cote as a member of the Finance Board of Fall River. There was no reason why I should not vote for him. I had served with him in the Council. I knew he had been a successful business man in his home city. I knew he was capable of filling the position. I believed that a Republican should succeed him in the Governor's Council and for that reason I refused to vote for the confirmation of his successor named by the Governor. I voted for a number of the Governor's appointments, it is true, but every one of them, in my opinion, was well qualified for the position to which he was named. "Suppose I had obeyed the crack of the party whip, wielded by self-constituted party leaders, and had blocked the Governor at every turn. There would have been chaos in the Executive Department and every branch of the State Government would have suffered.

"Politics, petty partisan politics is at the bottom of all the hullabaloo that has been raised over my course in the Council.

"I confess that the situation was embarrassing. I was caught between two political fires. If I voted against the Governor's appointments I would be charged by the Democrats with being bought off by a promise of a higher office by the Republicans. When I voted for the Governor's appointments my Republican friends accused me of treason to the party and playing Curley's game.

"I was frank with the Governor and he was frank with me in discussing such matters. I came to admire him because of his ability and what I believe to be a real desire on his part to give the State good government. In all the appointments he sent to the Council

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he spoke to me but twice. In one of these cases I voted against confirmation and in the other I voted for the appointee, whom I considered an excellent man for the place. I don't mind saying that that man was Police Commissioner McSweeney."

#### First News in Papers

Judge Baker told Mr. Hennessy the first he knew of Governor Curley's intention to appoint him to the bench was when he read it in the papers. He thinks the way Republican politicians attacked him for his votes in the Council aroused Mr. Curley's ire and sympathy. He said he thought the Governor was being unjustly treated by his Republican critics and when the fire against Baker was the hottest, he decided to show his appreciation of the Councilor by elevating him to the superior court bench.

Mr. Baker would not discuss for publication the attack of the bar association on his appointment. He prefers to show them as a judge, he said, that they were misinformed.

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### VOLTAGE INCREASE MAY BE PROBED BY AN EXPERT

BOSTON, Nov. 14.—Prof. John J. Murray, chairman of Gov. Curley's advisory committee on public utilities, commenting on published statements that electric light companies are seeking to cause an increase in consumption of electric current by stepping up the voltage with widespread resultant destruction of electric bulbs declared yesterday that he has expressed willingness to investigate allegations of this nature if they are laid before his committee. Murray, however, is not starting an investigation on his own initiative.

Stating that such an investigation might well be a function of the State Department of Public Utilities, Murray says that he has no personal knowledge of such unethical practices by electric light companies.

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## SPLIT VOTES IN COUNCIL

### Strict Party Lines Drawn in Action on Some of the Nominations

BOSTON, Nov. 14.—Richard D. Grant, secretary to Governor Curley, yesterday became a member of the Massachusetts Public Utilities Commission for a five-year term. His nomination by Curley to the \$7000 post was confined under suspension of the rules by the Executive Council. He succeeds Henry G. Wells, Republican, of Haverhill, resigned. The Governor nominated Edmond J. Hoy, of Boston, to succeed Grant.

Grant was confirmed by a strict party vote, of 6 to 3. Morton H. Burdick joined with his fellow Democrats to cast his first record vote in confirmation of Grant.

At the same time the Governor's appointment of Charles M. Stiller, former assistant secretary, to Governor Channing H. Cox and Governor Alvan T. Fuller, was confirmed by the Council under suspension of rules as secretary of the State Board of Appeal on Motor Vehicle Insurance Policies and Bonds. He replaces Grover C. Hoyt.

Other nominations were: Charles E. Flynn of Saugus to be trial justice, vice, William E. Ludden; Harold L. Armstrong of Gloucester to be clerk of the district court of Eastern Essex, vice M. Francis Buckley; George V. Higgins of Randolph, reappointed Associate Medical Examiner of the 3rd Norfolk district. Armstrong was confirmed on vote of 7 to 2, Councilors Brooks and Schuster voting negatively. Hoy, Flynn and Higgins were confirmed under suspension of rules with out record vote.

The Governor named Robert Robinson of Boston, former legislator, to the Boston Finance Commission, to succeed William W. Saxe of Boston, resigned, and the appointment was confirmed, 7 to 2.

No contracts were approved by the Council, and no pardons were granted.

The Council with Lieut-Gov. Joseph L. Hurley presiding, will meet Tuesday at noon to discuss the report of Public Safety Commissioner Paul G. Kirk carrying recommendations for the division of the \$22,000

reward money offered for information leading to arrest and conviction of the executed murderers—the Millen brothers and Abraham Faber. Discussion of the matter with councilors revealed an inclination to have the reward distribution settled by a court or master appointed by a court.

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#### INCLUDING A FEW OF HIS OWN

Governor Curley has so far acknowledged that there was a Republican trend to last week's elections as to tell Democrats they are lucky to have a year in which to correct their mistakes.—Newburyport News.

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Governor Curley compares the Marines to the Knights of King Arthur, but the Deity is his comparison for the President.

The most of the automobile accidents come after dark, which is why a good many guess they will drive only by daylight.



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## Curley Appointee Confirmed Despite Lawyers' Protest

J. Arthur Baker, Member  
Of Executive Council,  
Made Superior Judge

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Before the Council confirmed Baker, a motion to lay confirmation on the table lost. Only Republican Councillors Frank A. Brooks, Joseph B. Grossman and Winfield A. Schuster favored it. The same three opposed confirmation both of Baker and Burdick.

As Baker left the Chamber after being sworn in, he said:

"I will do my best to uphold the traditions of the Massachusetts judiciary."

Cote, the former Fall River Councillor, whose resignation to take the chairmanship of the Fall River Finance Board paved the way for Democratic ascendancy in the Council, was present today as Baker was sworn.

William W. Saxe, former publicity manager for Governor Curley, resigned as member of the Boston Finance Commission and the Governor named Robert Robinson, of Boston, a former legislator, to succeed him. Robinson's appointment was confirmed by a vote of 7 to 2.

Charles M. Stiller, former assistant secretary under Republican Governors Channing H. Cox and Alvan T. Fuller, was confirmed secretary of the State Board of Appeal, set un



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under the State compulsory automobile insurance law.  
Stiller replaced Gover C. Hoyt, who in a statement charged he was removed without a hearing.  
"It was purely a personal issue between the Governor and myself," Hoyt declared, "since seven members of the Council had given their word they would not vote for my removal unless the Governor insisted upon it."  
"Curley seems not to have learned the lessons which the voters of Worcester, Lowell and Chelsea and other municipalities have recently sought to teach; he can be made to learn only through the overwhelming thrashing which he will be given next November if he attempts to continue living at the public trough. I hope to be able to give a little 'nudge' to the plurality which will be rolled up against him."  
Stiller will receive a salary of \$2400 annually.

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# Baker Confirmed Despite Grossman

Governor's Councilor Joseph B. Grossman of Quincy, together with the other two remaining Republican members of the Executive Council, Wednesday voted against confirmation of Republican Councilor J. Arthur Baker to the superior court bench.

Baker's appointment by Gov. Curley was confirmed, however, with the five Democratic councilors voting in favor. Baker succeeds the late Judge Frederick Joseph Macleod, one of the three Superior court justices who sat on the Charles A. Ross ouster trial earlier this year.

Councilor Grossman also voted against confirmation of Morton H. Burdick, a Democrat named to fill Baker's position on the council. Grossman switched to vote for confirmation of Harold L. Armstrong of Gloucester to succeed M. Francis Buckley as clerk of the District Court of Eastern Essex, and for confirmation of Robert Robinson, lawyer, as a member of the Boston Finance Commission, to succeed William W. Saxe, resigned.

Dr. George V. Higgins of Randolph was reappointed associate medical examiner of the Third Norfolk District, the vote being 5 to 3, and with Councilor Grossman again voting in the minority.

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## THE EDITOR'S VIEWPOINT--L. R. H.

Contributions and Comment Welcomed

**THE LIMIT**—The Governor of Massachusetts will reach the limit of "Opera bouffe" government when he names that prince of public defamers, "Dick" Grant, as a member of the Massachusetts Public Utilities Commission. If Grant is confirmed by the Council, his pay for doing the Governor's dirty work will be \$35,000—five years at \$7,000 per year,—more than he would earn in the newspaper game if he lived to be a hundred.

This appointment is a criterion of what will happen to the various state departments as fast as the terms of present officials run out. The ultimate result will be the same as with the Boston Finance Commission,—a grand collection of "Yes Men" under the thumb of the Bay State's first Mussolini,—a dictatorship that will equal Huey Long's, unless the state legislature can be held in line to block his vicious program of self-aggrandizement and Tammanism.

"The rewarding of renegade Republicans who "sold their birthright for a mess of pottage" was bad enough. The insult to the people of Massachusetts in the Grant appointment is without precedent on Beacon Hill.

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L. — R. — H.

One who calls himself an "obscure but loyal Democrat" writes to the Boston Herald, suggesting that Governor Curley's most valuable contribution to the Democratic party would be for him to oppose Representative George Holden Tinkham for Congress. This writer claims that "Jim" could beat "Tink." Whether or not he could, it's a good thought.

L. — R. — H.

**CHESTS**—Every time a welfare or benevolent organization starts a drive for funds—and that's about all the year in most localities—someone suggests it would be a good idea to have a "community chest." In view of the probability that those Federal funds will not last forever, which will naturally force cities "back on their own" in providing for public welfare demands, people in this and other cities would do well to begin consideration of this problem right now. As Gerard Swope, chairman of the Mobilization for Human Needs, said in a recent address in Detroit:

We may truthfully be said to be convalescing from the depression. Every one is eager to relax in the sunshine of good times and to forget the gloom of hard times. It is easy to forget that for many the convalescent stage has not yet been reached, perhaps never will be; to forget that for many of our neighbors the illness has been so severe that the convalescence still requires the ablest and the kindest sort of treatment and understanding if tragedy is to be prevented.

We have not met successfully, it is fair to say, the first challenge of the depression in that the barest necessities have been provided for our citizens. Millions of individuals are today facing the more difficult, more intricate task of physical and spiritual rehabilitation.

It is necessary and it is fair to ask for more generous support than was the case a year ago. The Federal Government is withdrawing from the support of direct relief.



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### GOVERNOR'S SON



Leo Curley, son of Gov. James Curley of Massachusetts, pictured in action in his role of star guard of the Georgetown university football team.

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### Sen. McSweeney and Rep. Bowker Address County Republicans

Addresses by Rep. Philip Bowker of Brookline, Sen. William H. McSweeney of Salem, Mrs. Alfred B. Williams, vice chairman of the Republican state committee and Mrs. Frank Roe Batchelder, national committeewoman, marked the luncheon-meeting of the Women's Republican club of Essex County yesterday afternoon at Putnam lodge, Danvers.

Rep. Bowker spoke of conditions in the state government and attacked the methods used by Gov. James M. Curley in conducting his office and the numerous departments of the commonwealth. Sen. McSweeney expressed his gratitude for the support he was given in all parts of the district in his recent successful battle for the senate seat.

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## Baker First Judge Failing To Get Executive Board's Unanimous Confirmation

### Republican Who Betrayed Party to Give Curley Control of Council Gets Superior Court Job as Reward; Burdick of Easthamp- ton Takes Vacated Position

BY DONALD F. M'PHEE

BOSTON, Nov. 13.—J. Arthur Baker of Pittsfield left the Executive Council today to become a judge of the Superior Court without the customary accolade of his fellow members, a resolution commending his services on the Governor's advisory body.

If resolutions of commendation had been introduced similar to those adopted when Edmond J. Cote resigned the First District seat recently to become chairman of the Fall River Finance Commission, they would in all probability have been opposed by Baker's three Republican colleagues, Councilors Schuster of East Douglas, Brooks of Watertown and Grossman of Quincy.

These three voted against the confirmation of Baker as judge and thereby created history, for it was the first time that an appointment to a higher court had not been unanimously confirmed by the Executive Council.

The matter of confirming Mr. Baker's nomination did not come before the Council until after Gov. James M. Curley had held a council of war for a full hour with Lieut. Gov. Joseph L. Hurley and the four Democratic members of the Executive Council. The Conference was private and what passed between the Governor and the members of his party in the Council is not known.

Mr. Baker and the three Republicans sat outside the Governor's office and kicked their heels while the deliberations went on. Councilor Schuster, being a practical fellow, sent out an order for a pint of milk and a sandwich and ate his lunch.

But, after the meeting broke up, the five Democrats voted to confirm the Baker appointment when the matter was presented to the Council by the

Governor. In addition to Lieut. Gov. Hurley, those voting in favor of the appointment were Councilors Brennan of Somerville, Hennessey of Lynn, Czekley of Boston and Russell of Fall River.

Mr. Baker did not vote on the question of his confirmation. Neither did he vote when a motion to lay the appointment on the table was made by Councilor Grossman. The tabling motion, defeated 5 to 2, was introduced after the receipt of a letter from the Boston Bar Association formally requesting Gov. Curley to withdraw the Baker appointment.

After Mr. Baker was confirmed and a vacancy created in the 8th Councilor District, Gov. Curley presented to the Council the name of Morton H. Burdick of Easthampton as Baker's successor. Mr. Burdick was the unsuccessful Democratic candidate for the post in the 1934 election.

Rules were suspended and Mr. Burdick's appointment was confirmed, 5 to 3, the three Republicans, Schuster, Brooks and Grossman, voting to turn him down. He was later sworn in, and the Democratic Council was increased to 6 to 3.

#### Immediately Sworn In

The new judge was sworn in at 1.40 p. m. in the presence of the members of the council and Mrs. Baker. When Mr. Baker was confirmed, Gov. Curley said to him, in the presence of the council, "I want to thank you personally for your great loyalty."

Mr. Baker's appointment was a reward for giving Gov. Curley control of the Executive Council. He did so by refraining from voting when the question came of confirming a Democrat as a successor to a Repub-

lican, Edmond Cote, from the 1st Councilor District. Had he voted with his fellow Republicans on that occasion, Mr. Baker would have created a tie which would have prevented the confirmation of Councilor Russell as Cote's successor.

Further control of the Council was given the Governor today by the appointment of Mr. Burdick, a Democrat, in Baker's place.

One of the witnesses at the swearing in of Mr. Baker was former Councilor Cote, who was elevated to the post of chairman of the Fall River Finance Commission. The Governor shook hands with Mr. Baker and said: "I am confident that you will uphold the traditions of the Massachusetts' bench."

"That is my one thought," Judge Baker replied to the Governor. The new justice was then congratulated by Lieut. Gov. Hurley and the four Democratic members of the council. The three Republicans, not only did not offer to shake hands in congratulation but showed no sign of recognition as they passed him on the way out of the Council chamber as Mr. Burdick entered to be sworn in.

#### Burdick Takes Oath

After the swearing in of Burdick, the new councilor approached Gov. Curley and said: "I want to thank you very much." He shook hands with the Governor and then Lieut. Gov. Hurley introduced him to each member of the Executive Council in turn. After shaking hands with each, Mr. Burdick was ordered by the Governor to take the seat vacated by Judge Baker and the council session resumed at 1.55 p. m.

Prior to taking the vote to confirm Judge Baker, Gov. Curley issued a statement blasting the Boston Bar Association and severely criticizing that body for presuming to interfere



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# IT'S JUSTICE BAKER, COUNCILOR BURDICK AS BOTH APPROVED

## Bar Association Vainly Protests Baker's Approval Saying Judge Should Have Confidence of the People

From Our Special Reporter.

Boston, Nov. 13.—It is now Superior Court Justice J. Arthur Baker of Pittsfield, and Executive Councilor Morton H. Burdick of Easthampton.

Baker was confirmed as a justice of the superior court by the executive council this afternoon, 5 to 3, on a straight party vote, with Councilors Brooks, Grossman and Schuster voting negatively. Baker resigned, and Atty Burdick, formerly of Adams and Springfield, was at once appointed to succeed him on the council, and confirmed by the same division as on Baker's confirmation. Both men were then given the oath of office by the governor, who thanked Baker for "your loyalty to me." This thanks was not given publicly, but during the council meeting.

Baker's confirmation came only after an incipient opposition had arisen, with its basis a protest of the governor's choice for the bench, sent in by the committee on judicial appointments of the Bar association of the city of Boston, a protest that brought from the governor a characterization of "unwarranted and gratuitous." This opposing move delayed the council an hour, during which the governor called the Democratic members into his office for a conference, and lined them up for Baker, while the Republican members sat outside waiting. Baker did not participate in the vote on his appointment.

Prior to voting on Baker, the council laid his nomination on the table to consider further the Bar association protest, made public through its chairman, Francis J. Carney. No other protest to Baker had been made public, although it was known that others had been filed with the governor. Present when Baker was sworn in were his wife, Dr Baker, and a large number of others, including former-Councilor Edmond Cote of Fall River, who received Baker's vote, along with Democratic councilors, for confirmation after Gov Curley had named him chairman of the Fall River finance board. Baker did not participate in the voting, however, when the council acted on Gov Curley's nomination of Philip J. Russell of Fall River to succeed Cote on the council, and thus Baker enabled the Democrats to obtain control of the council for the first time in state history. When it sat originally this year, the council stood 5 to 4 Republican. As it stands today, with Burdick a member, it stands 6 to 3 Democratic, the result of maneuvers by Gov Curley.

Councilor Frank A. Brooks of Waretown, formerly of Williamsburg, protested the suspension of rules to

confirm Burdick and others confirmed under suspension of rules this afternoon, explaining he does not believe such action should be taken on any appointment, in order that a chance may be had by the councilors to learn about the appointees.

Gov Curley shook hands with Baker in congratulating him, and wished him good luck. He said he felt sure Baker would conduct his office in conformity with the highest ideals and traditions of Massachusetts. When Burdick had been given the oath, he said to the governor, "I want to thank you very much," shaking hands with the governor at the time. He also shook hands with each member of the council.

Baker, after taking oath, left the council chamber, and, when asked for a statement, said, "I will do my very best to uphold the traditions of the Massachusetts judiciary." He went from the State House to the Suffolk county courthouse to report to the chief justice for assignment.

### Letter of Protest

The Bar association letter of protest follows:—

"Your Excellency—The Bar association of the city of Boston recommends to your excellency that the nomination of the Hon J. Arthur Baker, now a member of the executive council, to be a justice of the superior court, be withdrawn.

"This recommendation is made with the full appreciation of the fact that primarily the governor of the commonwealth takes the responsibility for appointments, subject only to the constitutional limitations, and to the duty inherent in any democratic form of government to consider carefully the viewpoint of any Massachusetts citizens, particularly of such citizens as are authorized to speak for any considerable body of their fellows.

"Courts of the commonwealth are the ultimate bulwark of the people. Judges should be not only personally capable and of unsullied character, but men above suspicion in the public mind. As Rufus Choate, upon a memorable occasion, stated in words whose truth have never been questioned:—

"He—the judge—must possess the perfect confidence of the community, that he bear not the sword in vain. To be honest, to be no respecter of persons is not enough. He must be believed such."

"Assume that Mr Baker is qualified by character, training and experience to be a justice of the superior court. But this communication is not primarily concerned with Mr Baker. There is a vital principle at stake—the inviolability of the courts. The main point is what a great body of the public have been convinced are the facts.

### Public Confidence Essential

"It would be bootless to call to the attention of your excellency newspaper and other comments that for Mr Baker's failure to vote on a certain appointment of your excellency his reward was to be an appointment to the superior court bench.

"The appointment of Mr Baker by your excellency might well have been 'Post hoc, sed non propter hoc', but as one who is well versed in the practicalities of life, does your excellency believe that the people at large can be convinced that such is the fact? If our government is to survive, the people must have confidence in their courts.

"It is respectfully urged that your excellency withdraw Mr Baker's nomination to the bench of the superior court.

"We are authorized to state that this letter has been submitted to and has the approval of the council of the Bar association of Boston."

and suggest that the appointment of Baker be withdrawn.

"I am in receipt of a communication from the Bar Association of the City of Boston requesting that I withdraw the nomination of J. Arthur Baker for the position of judge of the Superior Court," he said.

"I have read with care the communication bearing upon the question and I consider it an unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence. There is no section of the statutes which confers upon any organization the right to dictate appointments and I can conceive of nothing that would be a greater menace to the administration of justice than the adoption of the course of procedure as recommended by the bar association which, in essence, could mean none other than the making of the bar association a super-perpetuating institution with membership in each succeeding year dictated by the association."

### Appeal to Councilors

The bar recommendation was contained in a letter to the Governor signed by Francis J. Carney, chairman of the association's committee on judicial selection.

Each member of the Governor's Council, Carney said, had been requested not to vote today on Baker's confirmation.

"The inviolability of the courts" is "the vital principle at stake" in Baker's nomination, the letter asserted.

"It would be bootless to call to the attention of your excellency," it continued, "newspaper and other comments that for Mr. Baker's failure to vote on a certain appointment of your excellency, his reward was to be an appointment to the Superior Court bench."

After saying the Governor might have considered the appointment before Baker's failure to vote, the letter asked:

"Does your excellency believe the people at large can be convinced that such is the fact? If our government is to survive the people must have confidence in their courts.

"Courts of the Commonwealth are the ultimate bulwark of the people. Judges should be not only personally capable and of unsullied character, but men above suspicion in the public mind."

Carney said he believed the protest was the first action ever taken by the committee against a judicial appointment by a Massachusetts governor.

Other members of the committee are Daniel J. Lyne, Walter Powers, W. P. Murray and Raymond S. Wilkins.

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## Saxe Resigns Commission Post

### Recently Appointed by Gov. Curley; Declines to State Reason

BOSTON, Nov. 13 (AP)—William W. Saxe, recently appointed by Gov. James M. Curley to the Boston Finance Commission, resigned his post today. Saxe declined to disclose his reason for resigning.



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## TAXPAYING GROUPS PRESSED TO WATCH SPENDING CLOSELY

200 From 18 Associations  
at Federation Convention  
at Worcester—MacDonald  
Condemns Apathy

By A Staff Reporter

Worcester, Nov. 13—"Back them up or show them up" was the challenge issued by President R. W. Bird of the Massachusetts Federation of Taxpayers' associations to 200 statewide delegates to the fourth annual meeting of the organization at the Hotel Bancroft here today, in referring to public officials and their attitude toward expenditures of taxpayers' money. The delegates, which included representatives of 18 associations in Western Massachusetts, were appealed to by President Bird for greater study of local government and warned to move carefully in striving for the objectives of their local organizations. Careful recording of the rollcall votes of the Legislature during the coming session will be one of the state organization's activities, President Bird stated. "We can then leave it to the common sense of the American people to exercise their judgment," he added.

Adopted recommendations of the state federation's legislative committee for the coming year were as follows:—Continuation of the fight to afford the voters an opportunity to express their will on the question of biennial sessions, strong resistance to the tendency to expand the number of public employees (including a specific warning against the prospective legislation for the three-platoon system for organized fire departments) revision of the existing budget statute for towns and cities, and withholding of expansion of the state's "social security" legislation until the national policy becomes more clearly defined.

Further adopted recommendations of the committee call for support of a move to provide an impartial study of county government, termed an archaic and inefficient institution in Massachusetts; a strict "pay as you go" policy as a goal, with opposition to all bond issues "not dictated by necessity," and a comprehensive and impartial study by qualified persons of the Massachusetts governmental structure.

### MacDonald Blames Citizens

Some of the blame for past extravagant legislation was laid at the door of "Mr. Average Citizen" by Norman MacDonald, newly-appointed executive director of the state federation, and former executive secretary of the Springfield Taxpayers' association, who spoke at the morning session on "Citizen participation in government." MacDonald scored what he termed as "the greatest contribution to the cause of bad government,

the dropping of a competent man and the substitution of a less competent one." This he said was taking place even while the state federation was meeting. (MacDonald evidently referred to one of the appointments made today by Gov. Curley.)

At the noon luncheon meeting, Representative William J. Sessions of Hampden, a member of the House ways and means committee, stirred the assembled delegates to repeated applause during his talk on "A Legislator looks at taxation." Sessions said that never in all his legislative

experience had he seen anything like the situation which prevailed in the last session of the Legislature. Members were "bullyragged, threatened and cajoled," he said, by those interested in legislation of a selfish nature. The speaker took a fling at a group of Western Massachusetts women "who want \$40,000 for a public park," pointing out that continued requests of this nature did not lead to lessened taxation.

In introducing Representative Sessions, Hart Cummin of the New Bedford Taxpayers' association, acting as toastmaster, said the speaker's grandfather was a member of the first taxpayers' association in Massachusetts, "The Boston Tea Party." The speaker won his audience at the outset of his talk by the remark, "Perhaps I might find some excuse to give why I, able to earn my own living honestly, should be a member of the Massachusetts Legislature." Sessions is a farmer in Hampden.

### Nelson Roberts Stirs Mirth

The homely philosophy and sly digs at the national administration's tendencies, voiced by Nelson A. Roberts of Mt Hope farm at Williams-town while talking on "A Farmer Looks at Taxation," lent a humorous touch to the speaking program. State Tax Commissioner Henry F. Long, who spoke on "Tax prospects for 1936," called for a practical viewpoint on the part of taxpayers' associations toward taxation and expressed a degree of optimism on the outlook for state revenue next year, based on improvement in the tax-title situation and reports of increased industrial and business activity.

The federation delegates today elected John H. Mahoney of Worcester as secretary for one year and reelected R. C. Maddox of Hingham as treasurer for one year. The following directors were elected for a term of two years: George W. Pellissier of Holyoke; Justus C. Hanson of Northampton; Nathan Tufts of Greenfield; Theodore W. Pomeroy of Dalton; George A. Newman of Pittsfield; John H. Mahoney of Worcester; Irving Esleek of Montague; R. W. Bird of Framingham; Hart Cummin of New Bedford; Michael Quinn of Lowell; Michael Cain of North Andover and Edward B. Draper of Canton.

The nominating committee consisted of Arthur H. Starrett of Athol; Henry W. Minot of Brookline; Eugene Fluet of Lawrence; Charles L. Gilliatt of Quincy; and Fred N. Dillon of Fitchburg, chairman.

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## HOYT CRITICIZES COUNCIL FOR NOT HEARING HIS SIDE

Deposed Motor Liability  
Appeal Secretary Predicts  
"Thrashing" in 1936  
for Curley

(Special to The Springfield Union)

BOSTON, Nov. 13—Grover C. Hoyt, deposed secretary of the State Board of Appeal on Motor Vehicle Liability Policies and Bonds, today chided the Executive Council for confirming Charles Stiller as his successor without giving him an opportunity to be heard on his ouster. Hoyt charged that the issue was a personal one between himself and Gov. Curley, who he predicted would be given an "overwhelming thrashing" if he attempts to run for public office next year.

### Hoyt's Statement

The Hoyt statement read as follows:

"My removal from the secretaryship of the board of appeal on motor vehicle liability policies and bonds was voted this afternoon by the Executive Council, without opportunity for hearing; it was purely a personal issue between the Governor and myself, since seven members of the Council had given word they would not vote for my removal unless the Governor insisted upon it.

"Each member of the board of appeal has repeatedly assured me he cast for my removal with regret, but under orders; Commissioner DeCelles has several times stated to me, and to others, that the orders came from Curley—whom Councilor Coakley in a mayoralty campaign a few years ago described as 'the unspeakable Curley' but whose orders he now obeys, as do all the other Democratic councilors.

"Curley seems not to have learned the lesson which the voters of Worcester, Lowell and Chelsea and other municipalities have recently sought to teach; he can be made to learn only through the overwhelming thrashing which he will be given next November, if he attempts to continue living at the public trough. I hope to be able to give a little 'nudge' to the plurality which will be rolled up against him."



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**Quoting Coolidge**

The position which Calvin Coolidge may eventually occupy as sage seer of the Republican party is something which no one can now foretell. It depends on what the future of the Republican party is to be and upon the form which time and events give to its issue with the Democratic party, assuming that these two parties continue to dominate American politics. But it is suggestive to note the use of Coolidge's observations on the art of government.

Coolidge in their classes they should be free to do so.

It may be, because of such views on centralized government as he expressed in the William and Mary speech, and the views of national economy which were part of his ingrained Yankee character, that Coolidge will in a special sense become the patron saint of the Republican campaign of 1936. But it may be harder to find a leader who can lead than a political philosopher who can be quoted.

A special appeal seems to be found in the address which Mr Coolidge delivered in 1926 at William and Mary college, the occasion being the 150th anniversary of the adoption of the famous Virginia resolutions. In that address Mr Coolidge said: "No method of procedure has ever been devised by which liberty has been divorced from local self-government. No plan of centralization has ever been adopted which did not result in bureaucracy, tyranny, inflexibility, reaction and decline."

From the same address this passage is also taken: "While we ought to glory in the Union and remember that it is the source from which the states derive their chief title to fame, we must also recognize that the national administration is not and cannot be adjusted to the needs of local government. It is too far away to be informed of local needs, too inaccessible to be responsive to local conditions. The states should not be induced by coercion or favor to surrender the management of their own affairs."

An enthusiastic admirer of Mr Coolidge in Maryland demands that this "expression of thought" be made "part of the daily classroom study in every public school and college teaching American constitutional history." But the minister who objects to Gov Curley's somewhat conventional praise of President Roosevelt in his Thanksgiving proclamation would probably be matched by those who objected to making Coolidge part of a required course in the schools and colleges. On the other hand, if those who conduct the schools and colleges find that they wish, uninspired by outside political dictation, to quote

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**DICK GRANT**  
**IS CONFIRMED**  
**FOR \$7000 JOB**

**Governor's Secretary Becomes Member of Public Utilities Board for Five Years.**

BOSTON, Nov. 13—Richard D. Grant, secretary to Gov. Curley, today became a member of the Massachusetts Public Utilities Commission for a five-year term. His nomination by Curley to the \$7000 post was confirmed under suspension of the rules by the Executive Council. He succeeds Henry G. Wells, Republican, of Haverhill, resigned.

The Governor nominated Edmond J. Hoy, of Boston, to succeed Grant.

Grant was confirmed by a strict party vote of 6 to 3. Morton H. Burdick joined with his fellow Democrats to cast his first record vote in confirmation of Grant.

At the same time the Governor's appointment of Charles M. Stiller, former assistant secretary to Gov. Channing H. Cox and Gov. Alvan T. Fuller, was confirmed by the Council under suspension of rules as secretary of the State Board of Appeal on Motor Vehicle Insurance Policies and Bonds. He replaces Grover C. Hunt.

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**STATE HOUSE BRIEFS**

From Our Special Reporter

Boston, Nov. 13—State police are continuing their drive against speeding motorists on the southeast cut-off around the city of Worcester. Thirty cars were stopped yesterday, the state police report showed, and 21 drivers were booked for traffic law violations. No accidents were reported. There have been three fatalities on this stretch of highway since the 1st.

**Seen at State House**

Numerous Western Massachusetts residents were at the State House today. Among those noted were: Representatives Ralph V. Clampitt, Edward P. Boland and Philip M. Markley of Springfield, ex-Representative Charles D. Chevalier of Holyoke, ex-Representative Paul G. Martel, of Chicopee; Chairman Stephen D. O'Brien of the Springfield assessors; and Representatives Ralph E. Otis and Timothy M. McLaughlin of Pittsfield.

**Driving License Restored**

Registrar Frank A. Goodwin of motor vehicles today restored the driving license of Raymond V. Berrette, chauffeur for Lieut-Gov Joseph L. Hurley of Fall River, which was taken from him two months ago for negligent driving in Taunton. Yesterday, at a sitting of the criminal superior court of Bristol county at New Bedford, Berrette withdrew an appeal from a \$25 fine imposed in the Taunton court, and the fine was paid.

**Curley Going to Game**

Gov Curley will go to New York Saturday to see the Georgetown-Manhattan football game, his son, Leo, playing on the Georgetown team.

**Notes Electricity Reports**

Prof John J. Murray, chairman of the governor's advisory committee on public utilities, commenting on published reports that electric companies are seeking to create increased consumption in current by stepping up voltage, with widespread destruction to electric light bulbs, said today that he was willing to investigate these allegations if they are laid before his committee, but won't start a probe on his own hook. He believed the utilities department might state such an investigation, he said, adding he had no personal knowledge of such practice by companies, as charged.



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## TWO CHANGES MADE IN PERSONNEL OF INSURANCE BOARD

DeCelles Displaces Dougherty for Kelleher and Hoyt for Stiller — Grant Is O. K.'d for Utilities Post

From Our Special Reporter

Boston, Nov. 13—Insurance Commissioner Francis J. DeCelles today made two changes in the personnel of his department, both being confirmed by the executive council as to salaries stipulated.

Edgar P. Dougherty of Lowell was displaced as 2nd deputy commissioner, and Michael T. Kelleher of Cambridge, who has been 2nd deputy bridge, was promoted to succeed him at a salary of \$3780 a year. Dougherty's term expired with the term of former Commissioner Merton L. Brown, but he had been continued in the position.

Commissioner DeCelles also named Charles M. Stiller of Boston, formerly on the industrial accident board and a Republican, as secretary of the appeal board on motor vehicle liability policies and bonds, in place of Grover C. Hoyt of Boston, secretary of the board since its inception and formerly its chairman. The position is to pay \$2400 a year. Stiller was assistant secretary to Channing H. Cox when he was governor, and to Alvan T. Fuller also, as governor. He was displaced from the industrial accident board during the term of Gov. Joseph B. Ely.

### Grant Gets Utilities Post

Gov. Curley submitted the nomination of Richard D. Grant, his secretary, to be a member of the public utilities commission, as of December 1, for five years, succeeding Henry G. Wells of Haverhill, who has resigned. The position pays \$7000 a year.

Edmond J. Hoy of Boston, private secretary to the governor, was named to succeed Grant. The nomination of Grant was confirmed by vote of 6 to 3, on party lines, with the new councillor, Burdick, voting with his partisans. The same lineup confirmed the nomination of Bernard J. Sheridan of Somerville to be supervisor of marine fisheries, vice William D. Desmond of Stoneham, whose term had expired. These confirmations were under suspension of rules.

Other nominations were: Charles E. Flynn of Saugus to be trial justice, vice William E. Ludden; Harold L. Armstrong of Gloucester to be clerk of the district court of Eastern Essex, vice M. Francis Buckley; George V. Higgins of Randolph, re-appointed associate medical examiner of the 3d Norfolk district. Armstrong was confirmed on vote of 7 to 2, Councillors Brooks and Schuster voting negatively. Hoy, Flynn, and Higgins were confirmed under suspension of rules without record vote.

The governor named Robert Robinson of Boston, former legislator, to the Boston finance commission, to succeed William W. Saxe of Boston, resigned, and the appointment was confirmed 7 to 2.

No contracts were approved by the council today, and no pardons were granted.

Councillor Joseph B. Grossman, Republican, of Quincy, said this afternoon he would seek reelection, denying published reports he would seek the G. O. P. nomination for governor. "My candidate for lieutenant-governor is Associate Justice Kenneth Johnson of Milton," he explained. "I am not a candidate but will seek reelection. Further, I hope to have the opportunity of serving under a Republican governor."

The council, with Lieut.-Gov. Joseph L. Hurley presiding, will meet Tuesday at noon to discuss the report of Public Safety Commissioner Paul G. Kirk carrying recommendations for

the division of the \$22,000 reward money offered for information leading to arrest and conviction of the executed murderers—the Millen brothers and Abraham Faber. Discussion of the matter with councillors revealed an inclination to have the reward distribution settled by a court or master appointed by a court.

### Hoyt Is Peeved

Hoyt, removed as appeal board secretary later issued this statement:—

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### CURLEY TO SEE GAME

(Special to The Springfield Union)  
BOSTON, Nov. 13—Gov. Curley will go to New York Saturday to see his son, Leo, play football as a member of the Georgetown University team against Manhattan College.

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## J. Arthur Baker Was Confirmed as Superior Ct. Judge

Executive Council's Action  
Was Over Protest of Boston Bar Ass'n; Grant Gets \$7000 Utilities Com. Job

Boston, Nov. 14—The first protest ever made by the Boston Bar association's committee on judicial selection on a governor's appointee to the judiciary was disposed of as "an unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence" by Gov. Curley, as the governor's council confirmed yesterday the appointment of J. Arthur Baker, Republican councillor to the superior bench and replaced him in the council by Morton H. Burdick, a Democrat. These two moves gave the Democrats a 6-3 majority in the council.

With Councillor Grossman of Quincy, Republican occasionally making the count 7-2, the council then proceeded to confirm several appointments of the governor. A motion to delay the Baker appointment until the council could consider the Bar association's protest was tabled.

### Other Appointments

In addition to Baker and Burdick the following appointments were made and confirmed:

Richard D. Grant, ex-secretary to the governor, as a member of the Public Utilities commission at \$7000 a year, to succeed Henry G. Wells.

Robert Robinson, lawyer and ex-representative from old Ward Eight, as a member of the Boston Finance commission, to succeed William W. Saxe, who resigned, the governor said "to devote his full time to private business."

Deputy State Auditor Michael T. Kelleher of Cambridge as deputy in the State Department of Insurance to succeed Edgar P. Dougherty of Lowell, at \$3700 a year.

Bernard Sheridan of Somerville as state supervisor of marine fisheries to succeed William D. Desmond.

Harold L. Armstrong of Gloucester to succeed M. Francis Buckley as clerk of the district court of Eastern Essex.

Dr. George V. Higgins of Randolph reappointed associate medical examiner of the 3rd Norfolk district.

Charles M. Stiller, ex-secretary to Gov. Cox, as secretary of the State Board of Auto Insurance and Appeals at \$2400, to succeed Grover C. Hoyt, whom the council removed from office.

Edmund J. Hoy, the governor's personal secretary, as first secretary, to succeed Grant.

Councillor Grossman joined the Democrats to confirm Robinson and Armstrong.

The governor's appointment of Charles E. Flynn of Saugus as trial justice to succeed William E. Ludden, because it is a judiciary appointment, went over to next week.



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# Funeral Rites Tomorrow For DeWitt C. DeWolf; Ely Pays Him Tribute

**'Squire of Chester' Dies in Ancestral Home at 71—Was First to Boom Ely for Governor—Served as Secretary to Former State Executive—Noted as Orator**

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—Former Gov. Joseph B. Ely of Massachusetts, on learning of the death of his former secretary, DeWitt C. DeWolf, in Chester, today issued the following tribute:

"Thousands of men and women in Massachusetts will mourn the passing of DeWitt Clinton DeWolf. For four years he gave his aid, his courage and his sympathy to them in their search for relief from economic distress. Speaking figuratively, he was more than anyone else the heart of my administration. The strain of those years upon a man who was then not young, who had seen and experienced as few men have the ups and downs of life, was tremendous. The reaction when the time came to enjoy a quieter life was too great, the exertion of those years had taken its toll. Bluff, colorful, buoyant, voluble, explosive and partisan, and yet I have never known a man so tender, sympathetic and steadfast except one.

## Funeral Services Will Be Held Tomorrow

CHESTER, Nov. 14.—DeWitt Clinton DeWolf, "Squire of Chester," and the most outstandingly colorful figure in Western Massachusetts Democracy in more than a decade, died in his ancestral home on Chester Hill at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon following a lengthy period of failing health. He was 71 years old.

Shortly before his appointment as Commissioner of Labor and Industries by former Gov. Joseph B. Ely, as one of the last acts of his administration, Mr. DeWolf was taken seriously ill and he had never regained his former robust health. About four weeks ago his health began to fail seriously and he was confined to his home. Last week he was unable to leave his bed and his attending physician, Dr. A. J. Logie of Westfield, was unable to check his illness.

Dr. Logie, who had been the family physician for about 10 years, said last night that Mr. DeWolf developed heart trouble about six months ago and it was this ailment which proved fatal today.

The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 in the Chester Hill Congregational Church. Rev. Irving P. Childs of Huntington will officiate, assisted by Rev. Francis Anderson,

minister of the Chester Hill Church. The body will be cremated.

Mr. DeWolf was a man of the world, who knew the seamy side of life in battling his way to financial independence during his earlier years, yet remaining withal a political idealist—for others. Though a certain measure of political emoluments fell to his lot during the sunset of his life he never sought them for himself except as a secondary issue to what he considered a greater cause.

Often described by newspaper writers as the "silver-tongued orator," he was in fact a follower of the old school of political bombast, a maker of words and speaker of sonorous phrases. The famous agnostic and orator, Robert Ingersoll, had been his unconscious mentor. From his spectacular entrance into the realm of Bay State politics at Pemberton Square, Boston, in 1918 when David I. Walsh was conducting a hectic campaign for a Senator's toga, throughout the regime of Joseph B. Ely as governor and his appointment as Commissioner of Labor and Industries late in 1934, De Wolf was a marked man. He was attacked by vitriolic tongues and in courts of law but he emerged unscathed during his incumbency of public office.

### Devoted to Ely

For eight years he dreamed a political dream—worked for that political dream—wore a little celluloid button on his coat lapel telling the world about his dream. And he saw that dream come true. He was a one-man party for Joseph B. Ely for governor beginning in 1922 but his name became legion when the dream turned into reality. Then, as the Governor's executive secretary and right hand man, his was the privilege to witness at first hand the unrolling of that chapter of history.

The devotion of DeWolf to former Gov. Ely was a byword in State House circles. He labored for four years without any vacation in the service of the man who, in his estimation, combined the virtues of Jefferson and Wilson.

In November, 1934, he gave a newspaper interview to a representative of The Union in which he stated: "The Governor is a great man. He will be the next President of the United States. This country needs him."

And so it was up to the time of his death; his dream of Joseph B. Ely as Chief Executive of the United States was just as realistic as the

dream he held of him beginning in 1920 which came true. Of Ely, he said further: "More brilliant than Grover Cleveland (and Cleveland was one of his earlier idols), which is sometimes dangerous, he nevertheless possesses some of his great qualities, rugged honesty, superb courage and that rare gift occasionally vouchsafed to men—common sense." In the next breath he demonstrated a little revealed humility; "I shall remember him through all the years of my life with admiration and with gratitude for his kindness and for the honor he has conferred upon me."

DeWitt DeWolf did not come from obscure origin. His parents were Dr. Thaddeus Kingsley and Mary (Phelps) DeWolf of Chester. His father was widely known throughout Western Massachusetts as the typical general country practitioner of the period who made his daily rounds in horse and buggy, but who rose to eminence in the medical fraternity of this Commonwealth. Dr. DeWolf had four sons and one daughter. Only one of the children was DeWitt DeWolf's full brother, the other two being half-brothers and a half-sister, although Mr. DeWolf never recognized any difference. His oldest half-brother, Dr. Oscar C. DeWolf, was thirty-odd years older and was health commissioner of Chicago for 14 years.

### Went West As Youth

All of the DeWolf children, with the exception of DeWitt, were classically educated. The latter was not, his father being financially unable to help him as he reached his teens. At 15 he started out for himself, following the trend of the day, and went "west." He settled in Chicago and between that time and the day he returned to his ancestral acres at the age of 50 he led a varied career.

He secured employment with a boot and shoe factory at small wages, working up gradually to become a salesman and then a member of the corporation. His selling trips took him through one of the most productive coal regions of the country, and gradually he accumulated properties in this field. During the last five years of his Middle West residence he was president of the Chicago Coal Co. of Chicago and vice president of the Oskaloosa Coal and Mining Co. of Oskaloosa, Ia. For 25 years Mr. DeWolf had more than 2000 men on his payrolls in the business of mining and marketing coal.

Up to the time of his death he owned a large acreage of coal, oil and gas properties in West Virginia, Kentucky and Iowa. Even while in business in Chicago he was visualizing life as a country gentleman in Chester and negotiated for the purchase of 10 farms in addition to his birthplace, totalling over 1600 acres. His birthplace is nearly two centuries old, the oldest house in the town, and has become a favorite spot for visitors.

While in Chicago he married Harriet Woodcock, a native of Maine, who died in 1922. Four daughters were born to the couple; Elsie, wife of James H. Ellis, now living in the ancestral home; Helen, wife of Arthur P. Goodwin of Pittsfield; Louise, who became mistress of his Boston hotel apartment when he undertook official state duties; and Virginia, wife of former-Adj. Gen. John H. Agnew.

### Political Background

Mr. DeWolf's political background dated back to the first Cleveland presidential campaign when he cast his first vote for the Democratic nominee. It was his proud boast that he "saw then—what has now become generally recognized—the greatness of Grover Cleveland." It was not until the Pemberton Square incident, however, that he catapulted himself into the limelight of Bay State voters. He then



demonstrated his ability to rise to such heights as a political orator, that he became a permanent fixture on the Democratic stump. As a matter of fact, there was no keeping him out of the middle of any political struggle, town, county, State or national. No shrinking violet was DeWitt DeWolf and he never minimized his own ability.

As the largest property owner in Chester he naturally could not avoid holding political office there. He was selectman for three terms, assessor for nine years and a member of the board of registrars for 10 years. Twice he sought election to the State Legislature and twice election to Congress from the First District but in these campaigns he failed. The vote in his last campaign was so close that a recount might have changed the situation but in that struggle he devoted more time to furthering Gov. Ely's candidacy than his own. In fact, he once stated he ran only in order to help Ely.

As a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in Houston when Alfred E. Smith (for whom no stouter champion lived) was up for nomination, Mr. DeWolf had ample opportunity to vent his oratorical spleen against the advocates of prohibition and the 18th Amendment and he made the best of it.

His best-known speech, however, was one on youth, which he prepared in answer to the contention that his candidate, Ely, was too young and inexperienced. He ploughed through history and prepared a convincing essay, delivered in the flowery language he so delighted in, about the commanding world figures who did great things when very young.

#### Interested in Farm

And yet, throughout his political activities and business interests, he did not allow his interest in his hill-top acres in Chester to wane, nor was his farming land allowed to go to waste. For years he raised horses, having at times as many as 30 Hambletonians in his pastures. Later, as the automobile became the more accepted form of transportation he went into dairying and maintained a large herd of Holsteins.

When "Joe" Ely, whom Mr. DeWolf always addressed as Governor, became Governor in 1931, he immediately offered recognition of the DeWolf friendship and political affiliation in the form of the secretaryship, but it is said that Mr. DeWolf hesitated for several weeks before accepting, as he wished the Governor to be sure of his choice.

DeWolf's conduct in that office is now public history. An excerpt from a metropolitan newspaper story tells the story:

"With his carefully cut white mustache contrasting with his roseate face, his cutaway and striped pants, carnation in his buttonhole, and general courtly and expansive manner, DeWolf cuts a picturesque figure in his sanctum outside the Governor's office.

"A typical shot of Mr. DeWolf has a sheaf of papers in one hand, cigar in cigar-holder in the other; and, if a hot day, handkerchief tucked around collar to prevent melting, while he dictates letters in his cordial, deep and reedy middlewestern voice. He dictates as if he were talking to the person he is writing to."

#### Unwelcome Publicity

All was not a bed of roses for DeWolf as executive secretary, however, for unwelcome publicity came his way in the form of a suit in equity brought against him.

Russell A. Harmon of Worcester, filed a \$5000 bill in equity in the Suffolk

Superior Court on May 8, 1934 charging that DeWolf, as secretary to Gov. Ely, conspired to divide the commission on a surety bond placed in connection with the building of a bridge over Fore River to Weymouth. The scandal that followed rocked the very foundation of the administration until it was terminated with a settlement out of court.

The suit charged that DeWolf conspired with Frederick Sawyer of Saugus, an insurance man, and the V. Barletta Co. of Boston, a construction company, and deprived Harmon of a \$2700 commission. Harmon alleged the Governor's secretary indicated to the construction company it was the Governor's idea that the bond be placed through an agent other than Harmon. Mr. Sawyer, it was charged, and DeWolf, placed the insurance.

DeWolf is quoted later as stating, "I can assure you there wasn't any settlement. It was only filed to besmirch me and through me the Governor."

About a month after DeWolf's appointment as Commissioner of Labor and Industries he was the target of a scathing verbal attack by Miss Margaret Wiesman of Boston, secretary of the Massachusetts Consumers' League, speaking before the Worcester League of Women Voters.

The commissioner, hailed by Miss Wiesman only a few nights previous at a reception held in Worcester in his honor as "the most faithful friend a man ever had" was charged by Miss Wiesman as being "ill, incompetent and unfitted for his work" and also that his appointment was a gesture of "political expediency."

Soon after Gov. Curley assumed office he opened fire on several of his predecessor's appointees of brief standing and rumors were flying in Boston that DeWolf was scheduled to fall before the gubernatorial axe. This, however, failed to materialize and the rumored ouster did not take place.

One of the last official acts of Gov. Ely was to appoint Mr. DeWolf Commissioner of Labor and Industries.

Just prior to his appointment DeWolf was taken seriously ill and was confined to his bed for several weeks. His health had not been robust since that time.

One of the highlights of his brief career as a political office-holder was a testimonial banquet tendered him by 125 of his friends in Westfield, when he was presented with a diamond stickpin, a memento he was rarely seen without during the past four years.

Another unexpected gift, which the then Mayor James M. Curley was responsible for, was a certificate of honor sent Mr. DeWolf from the head of the Roman Catholic Church. Mayor Curley had made a trip to the Vatican and there been granted an audience with His Holiness and had made the request for the certificate at that time. In view of the fact that Mr. DeWolf was not of the Catholic faith the certificate was of still greater interest to him.

One of the greatest delights of his last years was the birth of his first grandson, John DeWolf Agnew, born Dec. 17, 1933 to his son-in-law and daughter, former-Adj. Gen. John H. and Virginia Agnew.

DeWolf leaves his four daughters, a granddaughter, Barbara Goodwin, and his grandson.

Firton and Hollister, Westfield undertakers, took charge of the body.

DeWolf was a member of the Army and Navy Club of Boston, Democratic State Committee, and board of trustees of the Chester Hill Congregational Church.

Dr. Edward J. Sammons of Westfield, a member of the Democratic State Committee and longtime friend of DeWolf paid the following tribute:

"The death of DeWitt C. DeWolf comes as a distinct shock to his many friends in this city where he was so widely known. I had the pleasure of knowing him for many years and was intimately associated with him in numerous Democratic party activities and events. His steadfastness of purpose, gentlemanly manner and faith to an ideal were attributes to be remembered."

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# HOYT CRITICIZES COUNCIL FOR NOT HEARING HIS SIDE

Deposed Motor Liability  
Appeal Secretary Predicts  
"Thrashing" in 1936  
for Curley

(Special to The Springfield Union)

BOSTON, Nov. 14—Grover C. Hoyt, deposed secretary of the State Board of Appeal on Motor Vehicle Liability Policies and Bonds, yesterday chided the Executive Council for confirming Charles Stiller as his successor without giving him an opportunity to be heard on his ouster.

Hoyt charged that the issue was a personal one between himself and Gov. Curley, who he predicted would be given an "overwhelming thrashing" if he attempts to run for public office next year.

#### Hoyt's Statement

The Hoyt statement read as follows:

"My removal from the secretaryship of the board of appeal on motor vehicle liability policies and bonds was voted this afternoon by the Executive Council, without opportunity for hearing; it was purely a personal issue between the Governor and myself, since seven members of the Council had given word they would not vote for my removal unless the Governor insisted upon it.

"Each member of the board of appeal has repeatedly assured me he cast for my removal with regret, but under orders; Commissioner DeCelles has several times stated to me, and to others, that the orders came from Curley—whom Councilor Coakley in a mavoralty campaign a few years ago described as "the unspeakable Curley" but whose orders he now obeys, as do all the other Democratic councilors.

"Curley seems not to have learned the lesson which the voters of Worcester, Lowell and Chelsea and other municipalities have recently sought to teach; he can be made to learn only through the overwhelming thrashing which he will be given next November, if he attempts to continue living at the public trough. I hope to be able to give a little "nudge" to the plurality which will be rolled up against him."



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### As to Convention Cities

The Union has slight regard for political timidity, however or by whomever manifested. We don't like that which too often has been the bane of Republican politics in this State on essential issues or which was too manifest for satisfaction in the last session of the Legislature.

For this reason we react unfavorably to the report from Boston to the effect that the avowed candidates for the Republican nomination for Governor in or about Boston are working anxiously to prevent the holding of the preprimary convention in Springfield for fear that it might tend to promote the candidacy of John W. Haigis of Greenfield. Manifesting this fear the avowed Eastern candidates it is alleged seek to have the convention held in Boston—for their own alleged advantage.

Such fears are a virtual acknowledgement of the strength of the public sentiment for the nomination of Mr. Haigis whose popular support is by no means confined to Western Massachusetts. But he is not a man to take advantage of any convention city or of the convention itself.

The people who have urged him to become a candidate are not operating on the shallows of political expediency. They stand for fair play and fair methods as well as for the conviction that the present conditions and problems of both the party and the State require a candidate of character strong enough to be above timidity or soft-stepping intrigue.

This being so, it might make little difference where the preprimary convention is to be held. The claims of Springfield do not rest on favor in this section for the Haigis candidacy or on opposition to the trio of avowed candidates of the seaboard counties. Springfield is fully equipped for a convention city without the drawbacks of Metropolitan congestion. It is a Republican city in a Republican section the support of which is needed for the election of whatever ticket may be nominated. Springfield has the advantage and the virtue of not being in the political control by patronage bargains or otherwise, of Governor Curley and certainly the results of the Boston influence on the fortunes of the Republican party have not been such in the recent past as to create a statewide passion for more of it, especially in the present situation of both the party and the State.

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### May Probe Alleged Voltage Increase

**Prof. Murray Ready to Act  
if Complaints Are  
Presented**

*(Special to The Springfield Union)*

BOSTON, Nov. 13 — Prof. John J. Murray, chairman of Gov. Curley's advisory committee on public utilities, commenting on published statements that electric light companies are seeking to cause an increase in consumption of electric current by stepping up the voltage with widespread resultant destruction of electric bulbs declared today that he has expressed willingness to investigate allegations of this nature if they are laid before his committee. Murray, however, is not starting an investigation on his own initiative.

Stating that such an investigation might well be a function of the State Department of Public Utilities, Murray says that he has no personal knowledge of such unethical practices by electric light companies.

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### The Curley Process

The confirmation of Governor Curley's appointment of Councillor J. Arthur Baker to the Superior Court bench by the votes of a Council made Democratic, or rather Curleyesque, by Mr. Baker's aid, was, in the circumstances prevailing in the existing government of the Commonwealth, fully expected.

In these circumstances the protest of the Boston Bar association, or of any other body, that the inviolability of the courts of the State are at stake could have little effect. The claim of the association that the people must have confidence in the courts, if government is to survive is sound to the core, but that makes no difference to the kind of politics that Governor Curley practises.

It would be impossible to convince an intelligent and honest citizen of the State that Governor Curley would have made such an appointment before Mr. Baker cooperated, in effect at least, in Governor Curley's purpose to make the Council his own, even if Mr. Baker had been the most highly qualified man in the State for a judgeship. After the act qualifications had nothing to do with the case.

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### CURLEY TO FILL DEWOLF'S PLACE NEXT WEDNESDAY

**Governor Also Prepares for  
20 Appointments That  
Will Be Available  
Dec. 1.**

*(Special to The Springfield Union)*

BOSTON, Nov. 14—Gov. James M. Curley today said that he will name a successor to Commissioner of Labor and Industries Dewitt C. Dewolf, who died yesterday, when the Executive Council meets Wednesday. At the same time it was learned that the governor has sent flowers to the DeWolf family.

When the first of next month comes around, there will be many changes in the heads of state departments. Some 20 positions of importance expire on Dec. 1 and most of the incumbents are slated to fail of reappointment. Other than saying that changes would be made, the Governor declined to comment.

He refused flatly to say who was going out and who was to remain or whom he had in mind for jobs.



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## On 'The Firing Line

By D. N. T.

### Book Review of Our Own Sam Adams

My interest grows by bounds and leaps  
With each succeeding pound of "Pepys."

"The pig iron reduction control of the big steel companies in 1933," said Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, "was in principle 1000 times as damnable as the pig reduction campaign of 1933." To which Mr. Schwab et al. may reply. "Who's afraid of the big black AAA?"

The Federal Government has bought a race-track in Kentucky. It is to be used for a housing project, however, and not a training ground for dark horses.

Citing boondoggles perpetrated under the works relief program, the National Republican Congressional Committee, in a pamphlet recently issued, said: "In the Borough of Queens, New York, early in October, Federal funds amounted to \$500,000 to make bridal paths more attractive for horsemen." Maybe the committee meant the orange blossom paths of dalliance.

President Roosevelt has changed yachts, giving up the Sequoia for a larger vessel. He probably figured on a New Deal from another deck.

"Unemployment is the core of the recovery problem," said Ogden L. Mills in an address before the Chicago Rotary Club Tuesday. With the prophetic solution in mind: Mills Running in 1936?

The selectmen of New Canaan, Conn., the town that repudiated the Potato Control Act in town meeting, presented their objections to the legislation to Governor Cross in Hartford yesterday. In the resolution they gave the Governor, they called on him to "employ all lawful means to protect the citizens and inhabitants of this State in the lawful exercise of their inalienable rights to sow, harvest and sell their crops and to purchase their food supplies as, how and where they please." Say, where do they think they're living, anyway? In America?

The Social Credit Administration in Alberta has banned smoking by government employes during office hours. It has also directed workers to remain at their desks until the closing-time bell sounds and not to loiter in the corridors. Now we know what they mean by the new school of political thought.

"The Harvard gentleman! Is there a Harvard gentleman? Is there a gentleman at Harvard?" Thus does David Moore, Harvard '36, conclude a letter to the editor of the Boston Herald. There may be one or two in Cambridge now, but back in the very early '20's the word among the dear prom-trotters of that day was that a Dartmouth man lighted his girl's cigaret first, then his own; a Yale man lighted his own first, then his girl's; and a Harvard man lighted his own and blew out the match.

With Dick Grant going to the Public Utilities Commission at \$7000 a year and J. Arthur Baker getting an appointment to the Superior Court bench at a good saalry, you might say the Curley administration is getting pretty well straightened out.

The Harar-Jijiga offensive sounds like a ticklish business.

Army scouts who have been following the Notre Dame team will be rewarded with a complete edition of Shakspeare's plays.

Poker Pete says he doesn't know a thing about this contract bridge game, but he figured the Four Aces would win all along.

GAZETTE  
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## Baker Was Confirmed by Council

### Bar Association Protests Selection for Bench

BOSTON, Nov. 14.—The first protest ever made by the Boston Bar Association's committee on judicial selection on a Governor's appointee to the judiciary was disposed of as "an unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence" by Gov. Curley, as the Governor's Council confirmed yesterday the appointment of J. Arthur Baker, Republican Councilor to the superior bench and replaced him in the Council by Morton H. Burdick, a Democrat. These two moves gave the Democrats a 6-3 majority in the Council.

With Councilor Grossman of Quincy, Republican, occasionally making the count 7-2, the Council then proceeded to confirm several appointments of the Governor. A motion to delay the Baker appointment until the Council could consider the Bar Association's protest was tabled.

In addition to Baker and Burdick the following appointments were made and confirmed:

Richard D. Grant, ex-secretary to the Governor, as a member of the Public Utilities Commission at \$7000 a year, to succeed Henry G. Wells.

Robert Robinson, lawyer and ex-Representative from old Ward 8, as a member of the Boston Finance Commission, to succeed William W. Saxé, who resigned, the Gov-

ernor said, "to devote his full time to private business."

Deputy State Auditor Michael T. Kelleher of Cambridge as deputy in the State Department of Insurance to succeed Edgar P. Dougherty of Lowell, at \$3700 a year.

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# DESMOND IS DROPPED BY GOV. CURLEY

William E. Ludden, trial justice at Saugus for 28 years; William D. Desmond of Stoneham, state supervisor of marine fisheries; Grover C. Hoyt of Boston, secretary of the board of insurance appeals, and Edgar P. Dougherty of Lowell, deputy insurance commissioner, were ousted from the state service yesterday by Gov. Curley.

He nominated successors to all four at yesterday's session of the executive council and under a suspension of rules all, except the trial justice, were confirmed. Judicial appointments by law must be held over for seven days.

Charles E. Flynn, a Boston lawyer, was appointed to succeed Ludden as trial justice at Saugus; Bernard J. Sheridan of Somerville was named to succeed Desmond as marine fisheries supervisor; Charles M. Stiller of Boston was designated as Hoyt's successor on the appeal board, while Deputy State Auditor Michael T. Kelleher of Cambridge was nominated to succeed Dougherty as deputy insurance commissioner.

With the resignation of William W. Saxe from the Boston finance commission because of business pressure, the Governor appointed Robert Robinson, former legislator, to fill the vacancy. Robinson is an intimate associate of Frank L. Kane, who conducts Gov. Curley's employment agency.

The Governor also ended the tenure of M. Francis Buckley of Gloucester to succeed Buckley. George V. Higgins of Randolph was reappointed associate medical examiner of the third Norfolk district.

Under suspension of rules, the nomination of Richard D. Grant to succeed Henry G. Wells as associate commissioner of public utilities was confirmed, with the three Republicans voting adversely.

Mr. Desmond is a well known Stoneham resident and an active Democrat. He was appointed by Governor Joseph B. Ely and had many endorsements for re-appointment by Governor Curley. Bernard J. Sheridan of Somerville is active in Somerville politics and was an opponent of ex Mayor Philip J. Gallagher in the fight for sheriff in 1932.

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## TALK "IN FULL SWING"

(From The Boston Transcript)  
On September 29, when Governor Curley set forth to Honolulu, he was quoted as saying: "I have labored long and hard to put over in Massachusetts my program of work and wages. I am glad to say that as I leave, the program is complete, and will be in full swing next week." Five weeks later, on his return to the State House, the picture had changed. The governor announced this Monday that he "would be obliged to devote his entire time, for the next thirty days and possibly longer" in expediting his program of work and wages.

Any observer must find these two statements confusing. How can a great program, surging into full swing during the first week of October, still need such hard pushing by the governor thirty days later, and for thirty days more to come? His excellency should pay closer heed to such discrepancies in conversation. They cause him to be misunderstood. They encourage the citizens of Massachusetts—as they did the voters in Worcester and Lowell yesterday—to conclude that the governor's program does indeed mean more "talk and taxes" than it does "work and wages."

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# Republicans Hit At Democrats

## Schuster Singles Out "Renegades" in Party

Condemning bitterly those whom he described as "renegade Republicans," Winfield A. Schuster, member of the Governor's Council, at the first anniversary meeting of the Republican Business and Professional Women's Club of Central Massachusetts last night singled out Louis A. Baker of Pittsfield, who was sworn in as a Superior Court justice yesterday. He declared that he had heard Governor Curley thank Baker for his loyalty and support. The dinner and meeting which were held in the form of a "Congressional Merry-Go-Round" at Putnam and Thurston's Restaurant were attended by a capacity audience of 400 men and women.

Present and past Massachusetts congressmen described the administration as having refuted the promises made earlier in the term. Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers of the fifth district, said in part, "Our objectives in this battle are clearly to be seen. Stripped of all well turned phrases and pussyfoot verbiage, we must arm to save the Constitution of the United States in all its strength and glory as the guiding light in the development of our country and as the protector of our rights and liberties and our freedom of speech and action."

Joseph W. Martin, Jr., congressman from the 14th district, decried the "extravagance" of the government, declaring that "private industry can never solve the unemployment problem until the outlook is clearer. Men are not going to put money into business when they do not know what the future contains. They are not going to invest money if the policies of an administration are likely to destroy the investment. They are not going to invest if there is no opportunity for profit. They are not going to struggle to make money if the profits are to be all taken through excessive taxes. A fiscal policy which calls for deficits of three billions of dollars does not building for prosperity."

The meeting was opened by Mrs. Hall, who turned it over to Miss N. Myra Glazier.



# TELEGRAM

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## BAKER 'IN'; BAR PLAINT FUTILE

Curley Appointee Receives  
Council Confirmation  
By 5 to 3 Vote

BROOKS RAPS MOVE

'Rules Were Suspended  
Right and Left,' Is  
His Protest

By CLINTON P. ROWE  
Telegram State House Reporter

BOSTON, Nov. 13. — Brushing aside the vigorously phrased statement of the Boston Bar Association, which asserted the principle of court inviolability was at stake, the Governor's Council, by a 5 to 3 vote, this afternoon confirmed Councillor J. Arthur Baker, Pittsfield Republican, as a Superior Court judge. He succeeds Frederick J. MacLeod, deceased, under an appointment by Governor Curley that has aroused a state-wide controversy. Baker did not vote.

Shortly after he had been confirmed, with three Republicans opposed, Councillor Baker took the oath of office from the Governor and left for the Pemberton Square Courthouse to qualify as a judge. Departing, he said he would do his best to uphold the traditions of the Massachusetts judiciary.

### How It Was Done

Baker's vote on one occasion and his failure to vote on another had enabled Governor Curley to convert the Council from a nominal Republican to a straight Democratic body.

The Governor appointed Morton H. Burdick, Easthampton, a Democrat, to the vacancy caused by Baker's retirement. This made the Council 6 to 3 Democratic. It was Republican as an elected body, at the beginning of the year. Burdick immediately took the oath of office.

For a time reports emanated from behind closed doors of the Council chamber that the Baker appointment would be tabled. The three Democratic councillors, or some of them, were reported off the reservation and threatening to vote against Baker. The issue that deserving Democrats should share in the fruits of victory had been raised.

While these reports were in progress, the Governor called the Democratic members into a conference, as Republicans sat outside. It was shortly after the conference that the Council resumed and the Baker appointment was confirmed. Just before the confirmation, the Governor, along with Council members, received the Boston Bar Association protest. The Governor issued a statement in reply, in which he termed the protest an "unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence."

"Courts of the commonwealth are the ultimate bulwark of the people," the Bar Association statement said. "Judges should be not only personally capable and unsullied, but men above suspicion in the public mind."

### Congratulations!

The Governor, after confirmation, shook hands with Baker and congratulated him. Present as Baker was sworn in was Edmond Cote of Fall River, former Councillor, on whose confirmation as a member of the Fall River Finance Commission Baker refused to vote, thereby paving the way for appointment of Philip J. Russell, Fall River Democrat, to the Council. This was the first step that upset the nominal Republican majority.

An effort to table the Baker appointment was beaten on a five to three party vote — Councillors Brooks, Schuster and Grossman favoring tabling so that the matter might have further consideration in view of the opposition.

The Governor said "I have received a communication from the Boston Bar Association that requested the withdrawal of the name of Baker for the position of Justice of the Superior Court."

"I have read with care the communication bearing upon the question and I consider it an unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence. There is no section of the statutes which confers upon any organization the right to dictate appointments, and I can conceive of nothing that would be a greater menace to the administration of justice than the adoption of a course of procedure as recommended by the Bar Association."

### Bar Hits Appointment

A suggestion that Governor Curley withdraw the appointment was made in a letter by the Boston Bar Association to the Governor. After recommending that the appointment be withdrawn the Bar letter, signed by Francis J. Carney, chairman of the association, continues:

"This recommendation is made with full appreciation of the fact that primarily the Governor of the Commonwealth takes responsibility for his appointments, subject only to the constitutional limitations, and to the duty inherent in any democratic form of government to consider carefully the viewpoint of any Massachusetts citizens, particularly of such citizens as are authorized to speak for any considerable body of their fellows.

"Courts of the Commonwealth are the ultimate bulwark of the people. Judges should be not only personally capable and of unsullied character, but men above suspicion in the public mind.

"As Rufus Choate, upon a memorable occasion, stated in words whose truth has never been questioned: 'He (the judge) must possess the perfect confidence of the community, that he bear not the sword in vain. To be honest, to be no respecter of persons is not enough. He must be believed such.'"

"Assume that Mr. Baker is qualified by character, training and experience to be a justice of the Superior Court. But this communication is not primarily concerned with Mr. Baker. There is a vital principle at stake, the inviolability of the courts. The main point is what a great body of the public have been convinced are the facts.

### Confidence Necessary

"It would be bootless to call to the attention of Your Excellency newspaper and other comments that for Mr. Baker's failure to vote on a certain appointment of Your Excellency his reward was to be an appointment to the Superior Court bench.

"The appointment of Mr. Baker by Your Excellency might well have been 'post hoc, sed non propter hoc,' but as one who is well versed in the practicalities of life, does Your Excellency believe that the people at large can be convinced that such is the fact? If our government is to survive the people must have confidence in their courts.

"It is respectfully urged that Your Excellency withdraw Mr. Baker's nomination to the bench of the Superior Court.

"We are authorized to state that this letter has been submitted to and has the approval of the Council of the Bar Association of Boston."

With the Democratic majority standing at 6 to 3 as Burdick took his seat a number of appointments by the Governor were confirmed under suspension of the rules this afternoon.

The action of the Democrats in taking advantage of their majority strength, was protested bitterly by Councillor Frank A. Brooks (R) of Watertown following the session.

### 'Never Had a Chance'

"The rules were suspended right and left and the Republicans of the Council were never given a chance," Councillor Brooks said. "I protest against this practice of having the Council vote on appointments when it knows nothing about the persons who are appointed."

Under suspended rules the Council confirmed by a 6 to 3 party vote the appointment of Richard D. Grant, the Governor's secretary as a Commissioner of Public Utilities at a salary of \$7500 a year for a five year term. He is confirmed as of Dec. 1 and succeeds Henry G. Wells, Republican, who resigned with the announcement he had another job at more money. The Governor intimated broadly he would have been replaced anyway.



Grover C. Hoyt, many years secretary of the State Board of Automobile Insurance Appeals, was removed from the Board. It confirmed action of his board two weeks ago. In his place Charles M. Stiller, one time assistant secretary to former Gov. Alvan T. Fuller, was confirmed.

Edgar P. Dougherty of Lowell was succeeded as deputy commissioner of insurance by Michael T. Kelleher of Cambridge, a second deputy. The salary is \$3700 a year. Dougherty's term expired in April.

After a few weeks as a member of Boston Finance Commission, now dominated by the Governor's appointees, William W. Saxe, prominent in the Curley Governorship campaign, resigned. He was succeeded by former Rep. Robert Robinson of Boston. This appointment was confirmed 7 to 2. Councilors Schuster and Brooks opposed.

The Governor said Saxe resigned to devote his full time to his private business.

Edmond J. Hoy, personal secretary to the Governor, appointed to succeed Grant, was confirmed without a record vote.

Bernard J. Sheridan of Somerville was confirmed as state supervisor of marine fisheries, succeeding William D. Desmond.

Mr. Hoyt charged the matter was a purely personal issue between "the Governor and myself, since seven members of the Council had given their word they would not vote for my removal unless the Governor insisted upon it."

The first drive against Hoyt came some months ago when William A. Bodfish, social secretary to the Governor, was named to the Board in Hoyt's place.

#### Choice Withdrawn

The appointment of Edwin F. Tuttle of Bellingham as clerk of the District Court of Western Norfolk to succeed Arthur D. Hill was withdrawn by the Governor.

Charles G. Wood, formerly a conciliator for the United States Department of Labor and one time member of the State Board of Conciliation and Arbitration, was reported tonight as a possible candidate for appointment to the state board to succeed Edward Fisher of Lowell as its chairman.

There was another report that C. F. Nelson Pratt of Saugus, former Republican representative, was said to be under consideration by Governor Curley for the position.

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# New Deal Collapsing, Congressmen Claim

**Three Present, Two Former Representatives  
from State Charge Injustice to People;  
Heard by Republican B. P. W.**

Present and past Massachusetts congressmen branded the New Deal and the Roosevelt Administration as a "flat failure" at the first "Congressional Merry-Go-Round" celebrating the first anniversary of the Central Massachusetts Republican Business and Professional Women's Club in Putnam & Thurston's restaurant last night. A capacity audience of 350 men and women attended the banquet and speaking program.

Guest speakers were Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers of Lowell and Congressman Joseph W. Martin, Jr., of North Attleboro. Congressman Pehr G. Holmes of Worcester and former Congressmen Samuel E. Winslow and George R. Stobbs of Worcester.

#### See Injustice

They charged the New Deal had been unjust to the American people and "was tinted with Russian Sovietism."

Mrs. Frank B. Hall, president of the club and Miss N. Myra Glazier, program chairman, were presiding officers.

Congressman Martin, acclaimed by Mrs. Hall as "the next speaker of the House of Representatives," declared that the Republican party alone stands in the way of national "destruction."

"The New Deal is collapsing and there is failure everywhere," said Rep. Martin. He cited inconsistencies of the Administration and charged it with discriminating against New England.

Rep. Rogers charged that the death of World War veterans on the Florida keys during the great hurricane was an Administration "scandal" and placed responsibility on the Democratic Administration. When Congress convenes she will demand a rigid investigation, she declared.

"For three years our country and its people have been blinded and dazzled by the propaganda and ballyhoo emanating from Washington," said Rep. Martin.

"Bright tinted pictures have been painted of the new and more abundant era which was to result from the new policies. Billions of dollars were available for the experiments and the 'happy spenders' led everyone to believe each one had a chance to share in the distribution of the savings of the nation, accumulated over a century of toil by the American people."

#### "Sense Returning"

"But the sober sense of the American people is again asserting itself. The people are inquiring into the policies which were first ac-

cepted in blind faith. The inquiry shows the policies have been flat failures here, as they were in other countries where they were tried. For the 'New Deal' is not a New Deal. The same old failure is associated with it.

"The trouble has been that the New Deal has stifled, handicapped and prevented recovery. Were there no New Deal, we would now be enjoying the happy times which we deserve. Our prosperity would have been already in full bloom."

Continuing, Mr. Martin charged the "AAA, pursuing its dizzy way, is a nightmare to millions and had resulted in increased unemployment. In addition thousands of cotton plantation workers, forced out of work because of cotton restriction in the South, are finding their way northward and becoming burdens on relief rolls." He charged the AAA has let down barriers on imports of agricultural products.

"The American farmer is going to find that he has lost his entire market—unless this is stopped," Mr. Martin warned.

Referring to the Administration's silver policy, he claimed it had ruined China, which it had been designed to aid, and had aided only a few Mid-Western individuals.

#### Bill Sent to People

"It put an enormous debt on the treasury for the benefit of a few people. And the reason is politics. The bill?—It is sent to the American people."

It is not the intention of the Republican party to allow men and women to go without food, clothing or shelter. Mr. Martin reaffirmed. But he charged that with the wasteful New Deal expenditures for many things, people were starving. "We do not want to spend five dollars to give one dollar's worth of relief," he declared.

The Administration has been inconsistent, he added.

"They plan to make the South attractive to industry—then send the bill to the North. They spend millions for private purposes.



They have no right to do so. They cut down production and then start on a program of land reclamation. Families, because the land is "crowded" have been sent to Alaska. I predict, here, that less than 50 families will stay there. Many already have returned.

"But the New Deal is collapsing and there is failure everywhere. The President calls upon business to 'take up the slack.' There is no slack to take up.

"The Administration asks private industry to put people to work—to perform the job it started out to do—and in which it failed. Yet they continue to harass and hamstring business so that this is impossible. There are 41 industries menaced by government competition.

#### Forgets Own Platform

"The President has forgotten his own platform and has taken that of Norman Thomas.

"Are we going to put up with a Russian form of government? For these schemes have a tint of Soviet Russia. If we continue in this program it will be destruction. The ballyhoo is gone. We must fight and win here for the United States.

"The money on this and many other projects would have been better spent in the industrial centers.

"The extravagances of the New Deal, when they are finally totaled together in one picture, will stun the American people.

Mrs. Rogers said: "There is no satisfaction in the minds of people with the New Deal.

"People on relief are not satisfied. Their relief is too uncertain. They want security stability and a chance for honest work.

"Another Armistice Day has come and gone. And I am glad that it has gone before this meeting. Because there can be no Armistice spirit in us in the battle we are facing today."

#### The Constitution

This battle, Mrs. Rogers continued, is a fight to save the Constitution. "We must arm to save the Constitution in all its strength and glory as the guiding light of our country."

"That is the main objective. We must fight to safeguard the Supreme Court of the United States; to restore the financial structure of the government, for there has been untold waste and continual increasing expenditures; to end hasty and ill-conceived legislation; to restore sanity to our national expenditures."

The Administration has attempted an armistice in the "truce for business," she asserted. "But this is an idle gesture. More, it is a gesture of failure."

She called attention to the processing tax and its effects on New England Mills. "The President and the Administration have thrown New England to the South," Mrs. Rogers added.

"This has brought just as much sorrow to our Democrats," she added. She hailed New England for its vote against the New Deal as expressed in recent special elections and included tribute to Mrs. Evelyn C. Bjorkman, who defeated a Democratic incumbent for school committee here.

#### Will Demand Probe

Returning to national issues Mrs. Rogers revealed that when Congress convenes she will demand a rigid investigation of the episode in which hundreds of veterans were killed during the Florida hurricane when rescue trains failed to bring them to safety.

"This is the scandal of the Administration," Mrs. Rogers charged. "It is a scandal that will endure for a long time. These men were part of the second bonus army. They were sent to the Florida keys. And they were left there in danger."

"Doesn't it seem to you that the Administration has built unwisely and doesn't know from one day to another what it will do next," Mrs. Rogers challenged.

"We want a definite plan. We want respect for civil service. We do not want 63 new departments in our national government.

"It is up to the Republican party to change this. And Mr. Martin has an excellent chance of being Speaker of the next House."

The meeting was opened by Mrs. Hall who turned it over to Miss Glazier.

Winfield A. Schuster, Governors' councillor, was the first speaker, expressing a plea for a united party.

Striking out against "renegade Republicans," Mr. Schuster attacked Louis A. Baker of Pittsfield, who was confirmed and sworn in as a Superior Court justice yesterday. "I heard Governor Curley thank him for his loyalty and support, today," Mr. Schuster said. "The Republican party has a duty to drive out renegades, drive them from public life forever, and to defeat Curleyism in the state. We must become the party of the people to do so."

Mrs. Mabel C. Batchelder, Republican national committeewoman and Mrs. Bjorkman spoke. Rep. Holmes paid high tribute to his colleagues and affirmed that the New Deal has failed. Brief addresses were made by Mr. Stobbs and Mr. Winslow before the guest speakers were introduced.

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## Basket of Roses For Dr. Peterson

### Pastor Will Remain at Worcester Church

A huge basket of red roses was sent to the Rev. Dr. Morris Peterson, pastor of the First Swedish Baptist Church, at his home, 93 King Philip Road, last night, just previous to the assembly of members numbering 200. The Rev. Dr. Peterson earlier in the night withdrew his resignation submitted Sunday, and announced to the members of his congregation that he would remain at the church.

The pastor was overcome with emotion at last night's demonstration of love of his followers, and those who had criticised him duly appologized and pledged their support in the future.

Dr. Peterson's action in temporarily resigning followed a general church meeting which accepted unanimously a recommendation of the trustees and deacons made Tuesday night that the resignation not be accepted.

He said Sunday he was "tired" of being criticised for his Democratic activities. During the state election campaign he had been active for the forces of Gov. James M. Curley.

"I don't believe there is another church in the country that has displayed such love and kindness toward its pastor," declared Dr. Peterson, as he announced there was no course open to him but to stay.

The church meeting, which was held in conjunction with the regular mid-week prayer meeting, was spoken of as "the largest business meeting of the church in a long time." John W. Olson of Auburn, vice chairman of the church, presided.

The Rev. Dr. Peterson led the congregation in singing and prayer at the meeting prior to the business session.

The pastor related to the congregation he was going to return to his home while they deliberated on the resignation.

It was at his home that Dr. Peterson made the announcement he would remain.



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# DR. PETERSON WILL CONTINUE HIS PASTORATE

Withdraws Resignation  
After First Baptist  
Church Meeting

GROUP VISITS HOME

Recommendation of Boards  
That He Keep Pulpit  
Is Accepted

Rev. Dr. Morris Peterson, pastor of the First Swedish Baptist Church, last night withdrew his resignation submitted Sunday and announced to the members of his congregation that he would remain at the church.

His action followed a general church meeting which accepted unanimously a recommendation of the trustees and deacons made Tuesday night that the resignation not be accepted.

Dr. Peterson said Sunday that he was "tired" of being criticized for Democratic activities. He had been active for the forces of Gov. James M. Curley during the state election campaign.

On the Monday night before the municipal election Dr. Peterson was scheduled to make a radio address. Instead it was made by his son, Calvin. The address, of a singularly bitter nature, was written by a follower in the Democratic headquarters and handed to Calvin a few minutes before he went to the microphone. The son has said he did not have a chance to read it before he spoke.

## No Official Comment

While no official of the church would comment on the meeting last night, others said that many of those present believed that the church congregation itself should not allow itself to be concerned officially with political activities.

These members said that the relations between church and pastor, they felt should be judged solely upon churchly and religious grounds and that activities of civil or political nature should not be factors, however members might feel upon the subject.

Others professed warm personal feeling for Dr. Peterson engendered in his pulpit and church work.

As Rev. Dr. Peterson announced there was no course open to him but to stay, he added, "I don't believe there is another church in the country, that has displayed such love and kindness toward its pastor."

## Large Meeting

The church meeting was described as "the largest business meeting of the church in a long time." It was held in conjunction with the regular mid-week prayer meeting. John W. Olson of Auburn, vice-chairman of the church, presided.

Rev. Dr. Peterson appeared at the meeting and led the congregation in singing and prayer, prior to the business session. Before the session, he spoke briefly, saying:

"There have been great changes since Sunday."

Rev. Dr. Peterson told the congregation he was going to return to his home while they deliberated on the resignation.

After the congregation had voted not to accept the resignation members went to Dr. Peterson's home and told him of the vote. It was there he made his announcement he would remain.

Dr. Peterson on Sunday, in addition, added that he also had been offered the position of promotional secretary of the New York and New England Swedish Baptists which would give him an opportunity to return to evangelist

work which he had followed before coming to Worcester.

## First Swedish Baptist Annual Meeting Set

Tentative plans for the annual meeting, Dec. 11, were outlined last night by members of First Swedish Baptist Church. Elected to serve on the nominating committee were: Harold Benson, Gustaf Rehnberg and Levi Berglund. Lawrence Backlin was chosen auditor to succeed Carl Y. Peterson, who removed to Cleveland.

The congregation voted to hold a midnight service on Christmas Eve.

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# PLANS TO REBUILD SOUTHWEST CUTOFF

Curley Announces Work to  
Start in Spring—  
Order Is Filed

By Gazette State House Reporter

BOSTON, Nov. 14.—Governor Curley said this afternoon he had given definite assurance, after a telephone conference with commissioner of public works, that work looking toward eventual reconstruction of the Southwest cutoff would begin next Spring.

The Governor's statement came after Councilman Maurice V. O'Toole had asked the Governor for immediate action to convert the Turnpike into a four-way road as a step toward reducing the high toll of automobile fatalities and accidents.

In conversation with Commissioner Callahan, the Governor was told that the commissioner estimated the cost of the work at \$1,500,000.

The Governor said Mr. O'Toole had received assurance both from himself and Commissioner Callahan that work would begin next Spring.

## Cutoff Order Filed

An order to widen the cutoff to not less than 40 feet, with a safety line in the center, was filed jointly in the Senate today by Sen. John S. Sullivan and Representative Anthony R. Doyle of Worcester.

The order provides that money for the work shall come from the gas tax fund and calls for reconstruction of the Cutoff for its entire length. The actual filing of the order followed an announced intention by the two legislators several days ago.

Senator Sullivan, in filing the order, said that the past accident record of the Cutoff, plus recent accidents, made it plain that some action must be taken to convert it from a three lane road to one of four lanes.

The Worcester Senator was also following up his request to the Department of Public Works that traffic lights be installed along the Cutoff to regulate the speed and offer greater protection.



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## Former Ely Secretary Dies



DEWITT C. DEWOLF

**Dewitt C. DeWolf, in Ill  
Health For Some Time,  
Passes at 71**

**ASTUTE POLITICIAN**

**Funeral For Commissioner  
Of Labor, Industries  
To Be Held Friday**

CHESTER, Nov. 13 (AP)—Dewitt C. DeWolf, 71, state commissioner of labor and industries and one time secretary of former Governor of Massachusetts Joseph B. Ely died at his home here today.

DeWolf had been in failing health for some time and confined to his home for the last four weeks.

A gentleman farmer here and known throughout Western Massachusetts as an astute politician, DeWolf was recognized by many as the original "Ely" man.

### His Prediction

Friends say that in 1922 he pinned a button inscribed "Ely for Governor" on his coat and it remained there until Ely became the

chief executive of Massachusetts. Once he said he would live to see the day when Ely was elected President of the United States. Ely, avowed critic of the New Deal, nominated Alfred E. Smith for President in the 1932 Democratic convention.

DeWolf served as Ely's executive secretary until the final days of his administration when he was appointed State Commissioner of Labor and industries.

### Served as Selectman

Before becoming Ely's secretary he had served on Chester's board of selectmen, and as an assessor but was defeated each time he ran for the State Legislature and for Congress.

DeWolf married Miss Harriet Woodcock of Chicago. She died in 1922. He leaves four daughters, Mrs. James E. Ellis, of Chester; Mrs. Arthur Goodwin, Pittsfield; Mrs. John H. Agnew, Brookline, and Miss Louise DeWolf, of Chester; a granddaughter and a grandson.

The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 in the Chester Hill Congregational Church. Rev. Irving P. Childs of Huntington will officiate, assisted by Rev. Francis Anderson, minister of the Chester Hill Church. The body will be cremated.

### Special to the Telegram

CHESTER, Nov. 13.—DeWitt C. DeWolf was the one man partly for Joseph B. Ely for governor, beginning in 1922, and he finally saw his dream come true. Then, as the Governor's executive secretary he witnessed at first-hand the unrolling of that chapter in the state's history. His devotion to Governor Ely was a State House byword and he labored four years in the service of the man who, in his estimation, combined the virtues of Jefferson and Wilson. In 1934 he predicted Ely would be the next President of the United States.

Up to the time of his death Mr. DeWolf owned a large acreage of coal, oil and gas properties in West Virginia, Kentucky and Iowa. Even while in business in Chicago he visualized life as a country gentleman in Chester and negotiated for purchase of 10 farms, in addition to his birthplace, totaling 1600 acres.

His parents were Dr. Thaddeus Kingsley and Mary (Phelps) DeWolf of Chester. His father financially unable to help him as he reached his teens, DeWitt, at 15, started out for himself and went West. He settled in Chicago and between that time and his return to Chester at the age of 50 he led a varied career.

### Starts in Shoe Factory

He obtained work with a boot and shoe factory and worked up to salesman and then a member of the corporation. His work carried him through the coal regions and he accumulated properties. During the last five years of his Middle West residence he was president of the Chicago Coal Co. of Chicago and vice-president of the Oskaloosa Coal and Mining Co. of Oskaloosa, Iowa.

While in Chicago he married Harriet Woodcock, a native of Maine, who died in 1922. Four daughters were born, Elsie, wife of James H. Ellis, now living in the ancestral home; Helen, wife of

Arthur P. Goodwin of Pittsfield; Louise, who became mistress of his Boston hotel apartment when he undertook official state duties, and Virginia, wife of former Adj. Gen. John H. Agnew.

### Voted for Cleveland

His political background dates back to the first Cleveland presidential campaign when he cast his first vote for the Democratic nominee. It was his proud boast that he then recognized the greatness of Grover Cleveland. Gradually he became noted as a political orator and became a permanent fixture on the Democratic stump.

About a month after his appointment as commissioner of labor and industries he was the target of a scathing verbal attack by Miss Margaret Wiesman of Boston, secretary of the Massachusetts Consumers' League. Speaking before the Worcester League of Women Voters, she termed him "incompetent and unfitted for his work" and that his appointment was a gesture of "political expediency."

### Not Ousted

Soon after Gov. Curley assumed office he opened fire on several of his predecessor's appointees of brief standing and rumors were flying in Boston that DeWolf was scheduled to fall before the gubernatorial ax. This, however, failed to materialize, and the rumored ouster did not take place.

One of the last official acts of Governor Ely was to appoint Mr. DeWolf commissioner of labor and industries.

Just prior to his appointment DeWolf was taken seriously ill and was confined to his bed several weeks. His health had not been robust since that time.

One of the highlights of his brief career as a political officeholder was a testimonial banquet tendered him by 125 of his friends in Westfield, when he was presented a diamond stickpin. A memento he was rarely seen without during the past four years.

### Gift from Pope

Another unexpected gift, which the then Mayor James M. Curley was responsible for, was a certificate of honor sent Mr. DeWolf from the head of the Roman Catholic Church, Mayor Curley had made a trip to the Vatican and had been granted an audience with His Holiness and had made the request for the certificate at that time. In view of the fact that Mr. DeWolf was not of the Catholic faith the certificate was of still greater interest to him.

One of the greatest delights of his last year was the birth of his first grandson, John DeWolf Agnew, born Dec. 17, 1933 to his son-in-law and daughter, former Adj. Gen. John H. and Virginia Agnew.

DeWolf leaves his four daughters, a granddaughter, Barbara Goodwin, and his grandson.



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# Curley Promises To Widen Cutoff

## Advises O'Toole Work Will Start Early Next Spring

### Councilman Tells Execu- tive Road Is Becom- ing "Death Trap"

By FRED W. COONAN

Worcester Evening Post Writer

Maurice O'Toole, representing the city government of Worcester, today requested Governor Curley at the State House in Boston to take immediate steps for the widening of the Southwest Cutoff of the Worcester Turnpike, which, he said, is fast acquiring the reputation of a "death trap."

The Governor called in Public Works Commissioner William F. Callahan and inquired what it would cost to widen the road. The figure estimated by Commissioner Callahan was \$1,500,000.

Mr. O'Toole was given definite assurance by Governor Curley and Commissioner Callahan that work would begin next spring looking toward the ultimate reconstruction of the Southwest Cutoff.

### Close Death Pike Now Is Cry in This City

Prominent Worcester men in all walks of life have expressed the opinion that Worcester County's "Death Pike," known officially as the Southwest Cutoff, which was opened four years ago as a means to save time, should be closed to pleasure cars.

Councilman Maurice V. O'Toole of Ward 4, and alderman-elect from the same ward, announced today that he has been so deeply impressed by the Evening Post's news display of automobile fatalities and so interested in its Safe Driving Campaign, that he has filed an order with the City Clerk to be submitted to the Common Council at its meeting Monday, calling for the closing of this road.

As further step in the matter of cooperating with The Post in its ef-

forts to cut down the automobile death toll, Councilman O'Toole stated that he had made arrangements to confer with Gov. Curley today with the view of interesting him in closing the road and taking some mandatory action to that effect.

#### Tells of Resolution

Speaking of his resolution, Mr. O'Toole said, "Inspired by the consistent efforts of the Worcester Evening Post to prevent the loss of life and the maiming of human beings through automobile accidents, I am taking this step as a means of bringing to the attention of the proper authorities the aroused public sentiment against the continuance of the intolerable situation that exists on the Southwest Cutoff."

"Despite the extraordinary efforts of increased patrols of State Police and State Highway Inspectors, the death rate on that strip of road continues to go up. I feel that that proves conclusively that there is something fundamentally wrong with the construction of that road. Further experiment at the cost of more lives should not be tolerated. The road should be closed immediately to pleasure cars, permitting only trucks to use the same, and kept closed to pleasure cars until such time as it is rebuilt into a four-lane road."

"I have talked with business men, industrialists and automobile owners in about every line of business in the city of the resolve that I will present Monday night and opinion was unanimous that the closing of the Cutoff pending its reconstruction was the only solution of the deplorable conditions that exist on that highway. About the only ones who benefit from the Southwest Cutoff as it is at present is automobile junk dealers. The Cutoff is a harvest for them."

"I intend to confer with Gov. Curley today to see if I cannot secure some executive action toward the immediate closing of the Cutoff to pleasure cars."

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## 'CURLEYISM' AGAIN ELECTION ISSUE

### Ward 6 Representative Fight on That Basis

Party issues which will form the basis for the special election in the Ward 6 Representative District on Nov. 26, are yet in the formative stage although there were indications last night that "Curleyism," the issue of the past municipal election, will dominate the campaign.

Axel U. Sternlof, Republican candidate for the seat vacated by the death of Rep. Victor E. Rolander, Republican, was preparing for an intensive campaign opening probably tomorrow night with rallies under consideration for every night next week. No specific plans have yet been announced.

His opponent, Thomas H. Foley of 10 Montrose street, was also mapping out a strong campaign. In it he will receive the support of the Kelley for Mayor organization in the Ward, political observers said.

Mr. Foley's campaign will also be concentrated in the coming week, friends stated.



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**Report Sentiment Recovery Making Rapid Progress**  
NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 14 (AP)—The resolutions committee of the American Bankers' Association reported today the prevailing business sentiment in the United States is "one of conviction that recovery is making rapid progress."

**Curley Favors Lowering of Interest by Banks**  
BOSTON, Nov. 14 (INS)—Gov. James M. Curley this afternoon expressed himself heartily in accord with the position taken by President Roosevelt that interest rates charged by banks be lowered. Such a move would be beneficial to the public and the banks as well the Governor added.

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### Popular Approval for Bond Issues

This commonwealth is enjoying the advantages derived from the years in which it adhered to the pay-as-you-go policy in public expenditure. Forced to depart from that course, as a result of the depression, we were launched, at the last session, upon an orgy of spending by the Legislature. A check was put upon political borrowing, by the firm stand of members who responded to Republican leadership.

Governor Curley is expected to renew his drive for more spending and larger bond issues, in the coming session. It is this prospect which gives force to the proposal, advocated by these newspapers, that no bond issue of any magnitude should be authorized without first being referred to the people and receiving their approval.

State Tax Commissioner Henry F. Long made an impressive plea for this proposal in his talk before the Federation of Taxpayers' Associations in Worcester yesterday. It is a sound policy which has been abundantly vindicated by the experience of other states. Rhode Island voters recently passed upon a series of bond issues, and curtailed their Governor's borrowing program in drastic fashion. In New York State, at the election just held, a heavy bond issue for relief expenditures received popular approval.

A method which has worked well in those states, and elsewhere, should be equally successful in Massachusetts. It gives the voters a check upon the hasty and ill-advised action of legislators. As Mr. Long remarked, it gives the people a chance for second thought. Whether bond issues should require approval in two successive years may be debatable. But there can be no question that bond issues for large expenditures should never be allowed without being approved by the voters in a statewide referendum.

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### Governor Curley Gives Reprimand To Job-Hunters

By Gazette State House Reporter  
BOSTON, Nov. 14.—When Governor Curley arrived at the State House today and was entering his office quarters by a side door, a considerable crowd of job hunters was awaiting him.

Administering a reprimand to the waiting group, he entered his office.

A few minutes later, Frank Pedonti, a messenger, whose duties include standing off the crowds, walked out of the office, saying something about being through.

Pedonti's action wasn't taken seriously, because the pressure on the outer office force is sometimes such that the strongest give way momentarily.

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### State House Briefs

By Telegram State House Reporter  
BOSTON, Nov. 13.—Payment of the \$22,000 reward offered in the Millens-Faber case may be referred to the courts for an opinion, it was indicated today by members of the Governor's Council. The Council will meet Tuesday to consider the reward. While Col. Paul G. Kirk has recommended a basis of awards, he suggested court adjudication to the Council.

Leo, son of Governor Curley, is a member of the Georgetown football squad which will play in New York Saturday. So the Governor will drop state business Saturday for a New York trip to watch the game.

Registrar of Motor Vehicles Frank A. Goodwin today restored an operator's license taken from Raymond V. Berrette, Lieut. Gov. Joseph L. Hurley's chauffeur, two months ago. Berrette was charged with negligent driving.

Councillor Joseph B. Grossman of Quincy removed himself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor, but in doing so made a nomination of his own. "My candidate for Lieutenant Governor is Associate Justice Kenneth Johnson of Milton," he said. "I will seek re-election as a Councillor and I hope to serve under a Republican governor."



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## SOCIAL REGISTER CUTS COOLIDGES OUT

The Boston Social Register for 1936 is out today.  
And out of the Boston Social Register—for the first time since their marriage—are John Coolidge, son of late President Calvin Coolidge, and Mrs. John Coolidge, the former Florence Trumbull.

Thus an act of omission features the annual publication of the list of the Boston blueblooded elite, to which many aspire, for which few are chosen.

### CONANT CRASHES IN

Thrills, heartaches, forced laughs, horse laughs and real merriment annually attend the appearance of the little book.

Highlighting acts of commission in the publication of the chosen few for the new season is the listing of the name of President James Bryant Conant of Harvard University.

He failed to "make the grade" last year, first Harvard president not listed; but he and Mrs. Conant are in this year.

Still missing are the names of James Roosevelt, son of President Roosevelt, and his wife, the former Betsy Cushing, daughter of Dr. Harvey D. Cushing, famous Boston brain surgeon.

### COOLIDGES DON'T CARE

All other members of the Cushing family appear.

James and Betsey were not listed last year. This year it is believed they may be in the New York edition which will be distributed in a week or so.

Of that opinion is Cholly Knickerbocker, the New York American's noted society tell-tale. Herr Knickerbocker also thought it likely that John and Florence Coolidge would appear in the New York issue.

Whether they are or are not listed makes not a particle of difference to the John Coolidges, however, the daughter of former Governor Trumbull of Connecticut informed the Boston Evening American over long-distance telephone from New Haven.

### COOLIDGE WIDOW LISTED

Informed that their names had been dropped from the Boston book, Mrs. Coolidge said with a laugh:

"What of it? We never applied for listing and never subscribed to the book and we haven't any interest one way or another, I assure you."

Still listed, however, is her mother-in-law, Mrs. Grace Goodhue Coolidge of Northampton, widow of the late President.

Another split of family in the

listings is the omission of John Davis Lodge, the moving picture actor, and his dancing wife, Francesca Braggiotti.

Lodge's political-minded brother, Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., who recently announced his candidacy for United States Senator, has his name in the book.

In the lists of old Boston names like Lowell, Cabot, Hallowell, Saltonstall, Grew and Eliot no changes have been made.

Forty-two branches of the Coolidge family lead the roster.

The Cabots have 38 household listings, the Amory family 26, the Saltonstalls 17, the Hallowells 14, and the Lowells 14.

And the Smiths—23!

But there is not a Roosevelt of any kind, shape or manner in the little book.

Two Boston society girls maintained their good standing despite night club singing ventures. Alice H. Burrage and Minna Lindsey are still listed.

### POLICEMAN'S BRIDE

Also still among the chosen few is the former Elizabeth D. Alford, recent bride of Edward Mattison, campus policeman at Bennington, Vt.

Governor Curley isn't in. Nor is any member of his family. Neither are former Governors Ely, Cox and Allen, all of whom grace social circles.

### ERA IN THE BOOK

But ex-Governor Alvan T. Fuller and all members of his family are listed.

So is Gaspar G. Bacon, former Lieutenant-Governor. So is Arthur G. Rotch, PWA and ERA administrator. So are Sinclair Weeks, Senator Henry Parkman, Jr.

Henry L. Higginson is not listed. He has been heretofore.

Newcomers are Rear Admiral Walter R. W. Gherardi, navy yard commandant; Mrs. Gherardi and their son, Taylor.

But Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd gets as cold notice as the Antarctic accorded him.

Stephen S. Bigelow, of the registerite Bigelow family, and his wife, the former Mary McDevitt, are still among the missing.

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## CRITICS SPIKED BY NEWEST JUDGE

Professing to be as strong a Republican as ever, Judge J. Arthur Baker of Pittsfield intends to silence his critics by combining honesty and humanity in his new position.

His appointment to the Superior Court bench as successor to the late Judge Frederick J. McLeod was confirmed by the executive council with Morton H. Burdick, Easthampton Democrat, becoming his successor in the council.

Republican leaders have criticized Judge Baker bitterly, charging him with party treachery and aiding the governor to change a Republican council majority into a Democratic one.

### MADE NO DEAL

It was charged that as councillor Judge Baker had voted in favor of the governor's appointments in exchange for a judicial appointment.

"I made no deal with Governor Curley," Judge Baker said. "I never asked him to appoint me as judge or to any other position."

"Now that I'm appointed, I'm going to make good."

"A lot of mean and untruthful things have been said about me because I dared to approve Governor Curley's appointments, but nobody has questioned my honesty or integrity as a member of the bar."

"I'm going to be a humane judge and prove the governor made no mistake in naming me."

He explained that in all his votes as councillor he voted for men he believed qualified, for the positions named, regardless of party designation.

### THREATENED CAREER

He also declared that prominent Republicans and self-constructed party leaders threatened him with political death unless he voted with the party minority and against Governor Curley.

Confirmation of the appointment of Morton Burdick gives the Democrats a six to three majority in the council.



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## Worcester Seeks Pastor's Decision

Worcester, Nov. 14—Political and church circles here are wondering what the Rev. Morris Peterson, who resigned as pastor of the First Swedish Baptist Church, will do today.

Criticized for participating in the fight to elect Governor James M. Curley, Peterson resigned.

At a special session of the congregation last night, members voted a resolution asking him to stay as pastor and sent a huge floral piece.

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## MR. PETERSON KEEPS PULPIT

Worcester, Nov. 14—Rev. Morris Peterson withdrew his resignation as pastor of the First Swedish Baptist Church today after members of the congregation visited him at his home at midnight and pleaded with him to remain.

The pastor tendered his resignation Monday as a result of criticism of his political activities, principally his support of Governor Curley in the last campaign.

At a special meeting in the church last night, the congregation thrashed out the controversy, voted to ask him to reconsider and then moved in a body to his home, presenting him with the resolution and a floral tribute.

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## Governor Visits Exhibit

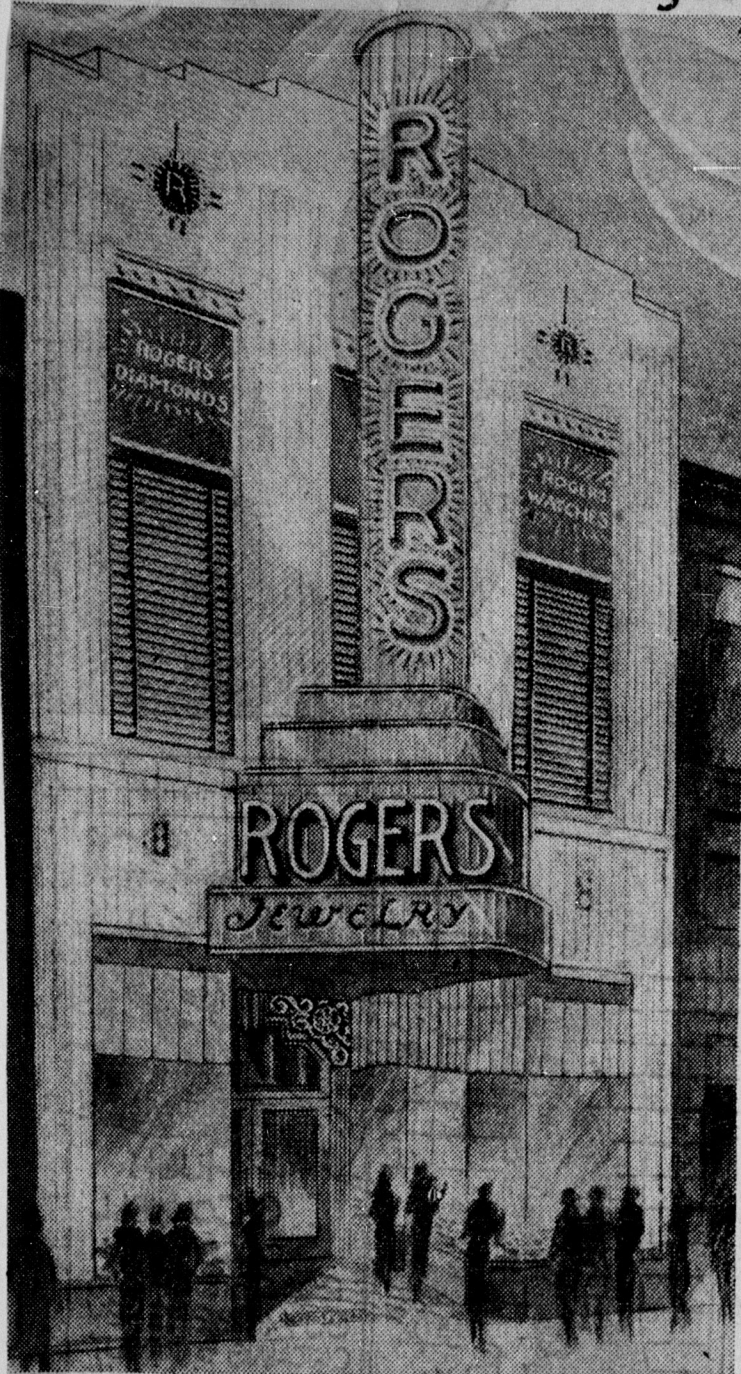


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A. Khan Rahimi, whose Persian art collection is on exhibition at the Paine Furniture Company's store, explains the fine points of one of his treasures to Governor Curley who is an interested visitor.



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## Features Miniature Stages



Exterior view of new Rogers Jewelry Store at 569-573 Washington street. The opening tomorrow is expected to attract thousands. Governor Curley, other officials and stage stars anticipate an eniovable time.

## JEWELRY FIRM PLAYS HOST

Governor Curley, city officials and stage stars will attend the opening tomorrow of the new

Rogers Jewelry store at 569-573 Washington street.

The store, in the process of construction for some months, occupies the site of the old Clark Hotel.

The thousands expected at the opening, which will extend through Saturday, will witness innovations, one of which comprises a series of miniature stages in the hear walls for displays.

Architects, factories and engineers all co-operated in rushing to completion the new store which occupies the entire three floors.

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## Curley Appointees Administered Oath

Governor Curley today administered the oaths of office to Robert Robinson of Boston as a member of the Boston Finance Commission, and to Harold L. Armstrong of Gloucester as clerk of the district court of Eastern Essex.

Both officials were nominated yesterday by the Governor and confirmed by the council.

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## BALL TO AID ROGERS FUND

A ball will be held in the Boston Garden either before or after Christmas in honor of the late Will Rogers and in co-operation with the nationwide campaign for a perpetual memorial to the dead humorist.

This was decided at a meeting held by P. A. O'Connell, chairman of the local Will Rogers memorial committee, at his office in Slatery's, Tremont street.

At the same time a check was received from Frank I. Dorr of Raymond's. Dorr accepted the chairmanship of the donations committee.

Allan Forbes, president of the State Street Trust Company, and head of the bankers' group, was appointed treasurer of the committee. His bank was named as official depository for contributions to the fund.

Rooms in the State House have been assigned by Governor Curley as the main office for the committee.



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## Millen Rewards Up To Council

Executive councillors today again took under advisement division of the Millen rewards, totaling \$22,000.

Governor James M. Curley said that the council would act on the division next Tuesday. Some councillors have indicated, however, that they favor a court order or appointment of a master to decide how much each claimant should get.

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## DISCUSSION TUESDAY OF MILLEN REWARD

### Some Councilors Favor Division by Court

The Executive Council, Lieut Gov Joseph L. Hurley presiding, will meet next Tuesday to discuss the report of Lieut Col Paul G. Kirk, State Commissioner of Public Safety, which outlines two alternative plans for distribution of the \$22,000 reward offered by the state for the arrest and conviction of the Needham bank robbers, later identified as Murton and Irving Millen and Abraham Faber.

"The Council will go over the entire case and decide on a course of action," said Gov Curley.

Newspapermen, discussing the Kirk report with members of the Council yesterday, found an inclination among the Councilors to have the reward adjudicated by a court or a master appointed by the court.

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## ATTY ROBINSON SWORN IN AS FIN. COM. MEMBER

Gov Curley Also Administers Oath to Armstrong,  
Clerk of Eastern Essex District Court



Gov Curley swearing in Attorney Robert Robinson as member of Boston Finance Commission

Robert Robinson, Boston attorney, appointed yesterday by Gov Curley to succeed William W. Saxe as a member of the Boston Finance Commission, was sworn into office by the Governor this afternoon at the State House.

The Governor also administered the oath of office to Horace L. Armstrong,

also appointed yesterday, who will succeed M. Francis Buckley as clerk of the District Court of eastern Essex. Both Robinson and Armstrong were confirmed by the Executive Council yesterday under suspension of the rules.

Armstrong was manager of the original Curley-for-Governor committee in Gloucester.

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# STATE OFFICES SHAKEUP

## GOV CURLEY WILL MAKE CHANGES

Terms of 25 Will Expire Dec 1,  
Many of Them Important

After predicting this afternoon that there would be "a considerable number" of changes among office holders of important State offices after the first of next month, Gov Curley this afternoon added that

Democratic office-holders, whose terms expire Dec 1, are just as much in peril of losing their jobs as their Republican conferees.

The terms of 25 State office-holders expire on Dec 1, the largest number expiring on any date in the year, and among those 25 jobs are

the important Commissionerships of Public Safety, Civil Service, Agriculture, Conservation, Education, Public Welfare and Correction. The term of Charles F. Connors of Boston as a member of the State Racing Board will also expire on the same date.

Dec 13 the important office of State Purchasing Agent will be open, with the expiration of the term of office of George J. Cronin, Democrat, and two days later the term of Henry F. Long, Topsfield Republican who has won nationwide reputation of a tax expert, as State Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation will end.

Governor Curley said this afternoon that it was still too early to say what changes he contemplated making, but he did admit that "a considerable number of changes in state office holders could be expected after the first of the month."

### Democrats Not Safe

"Would you say, Governor," he was asked, "that Democrats now holding office and doing a good job can expect to retain their jobs?"

"No, I wouldn't say so," was his reply. "Democratic heads are just

as much in peril as Republican heads."



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Here is a partial list of Democratic officeholders whose terms expire Dec 1:

Edward Fisher, Lowell, associate commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industries and chairman of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation.

James M. Hurley, Marlboro, Civil Service commissioner.

Arthur T. Lyman, Westwood, commissioner of correction.

Edgar L. Gillett, Canton, commissioner of agriculture.

Paul G. Kirk, Newton, commissioner of public safety.

Samuel A. York, Chesterfield, commissioner of conservation.

Charles F. Connors, Boston, state Racing Commissioner.

Among the Republicans whose jobs will be open on the first of next month are:

Raymond J. Kenney, Belmont, director of the Division of Fisheries and Game.

Payson Smith, Brookline, Commissioner of Education.

Richard K. Conant, Lincoln, Commissioner of Public Welfare.

Among the considerations that may

have some bearing in the Governor's course next month is the fact that the Commissioners of Civil Service and Public Safety, whether they be the present incumbents or new appointees will have the "say" in the appointment of new state detectives.

Although 700-odd of the 1500 who took the mental examinations under the Civil Service Commission for the jobs have passed, physical examinations are now being given and those finally certified will then have to be investigated.

There is no doubt that this work cannot be completed before Dec 1 which means that the appointment of the 25 new state detectives will have to be made late in December or possibly not until after the first of the year.

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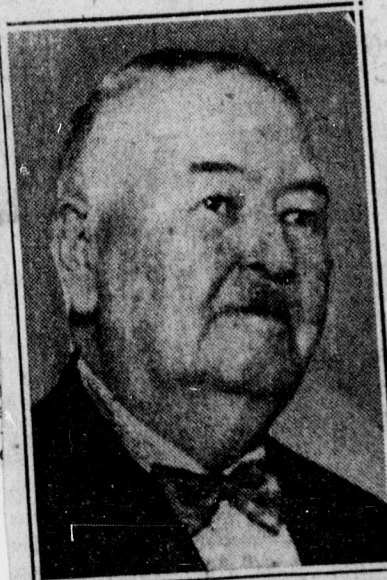
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## DE W. C. DE WOLF TAKEN BY DEATH

### Original Ely Supporter

### Became His Secretary

### Commissioner of Labor and Industries Was 71



DeWITT C. DeWOLF

Special Dispatch to the Globe

CHESTER, Nov 13—DeWitt Clinton DeWolf, life-long friend, secretary and original supporter of Ex-Gov Joseph B. Ely, died at his home tonight after an illness of six weeks. He was 71 years old.

At the time of his death the country gentleman, whose presence at the State House added both dignity and humor to the two terms of Gov Ely, was Commissioner of Labor and Industries, to which he was appointed Nov 29, 1934.

His was one of the few last-minute appointments of Gov Ely. Gov Curley did not seek Mr DeWolf's removal. However, for the past two months poor health kept the commissioner from his office.

Attending physicians said tonight that Mr DeWolf had been suffering from a very bad heart for six months, and that death was due to heart trouble. For the past four weeks, they said, his condition had been serious, and for the past week he had been confined to his bed.

### Original Ely Booster

Although for 15 years an ardent campaigner and prominent member of the Democratic party, Mr DeWolf's first important public office was that of secretary to Mr Ely, which he assumed on the latter's election in 1930.

His relationship to the Governor was a curious one. He was friend, adviser, ardent supporter and willing servant.

Mr DeWolf returned to Clinton, the town of his birth, at 53 after spending 38 years in the Middle West amassing a fortune in coal. After establishing himself as a country squire, he commenced to dabble in politics and met the rising young attorney from Westfield.

In 1922 he placed a button on his immaculate lapel and vowed to wear it until its inscription came true. It read, "For Governor, Joseph B. Ely."

For eight years he polished the button, pressed the lapel and sallied forth to fight for his young friend. Twice he sought election to the State Senate and twice the nomination for Congress from the 1st District for himself, but in his personal campaigns he boosted Ely, and defeat was made less bitter by progress in that direction.

### Enthusiasm Rebuked

As the original Ely for Governor man, DeWolf met with many a rebuke from Democratic leaders of the Metropolitan district. They pointed first to Ely's youth, and to the fact that Westfield and the surrounding country was anything but a Democratic stronghold.

However, in 1930, DeWolf's dream came true, and he followed Ely to the State House, his red face beaming and his white mustache newly clipped.

While secretary, Mr DeWolf became known as "the Grasshopper," for the agility and speed with which he appeared, vanished and then appeared again about the offices. He devoted himself solely to his secretarial duties, ushering in the worthy to the Governor's office and warding off the ward heelers.

No longer able to boost Ely for Governor in his public addresses, he predicted he would rise to even greater heights, saying, "He is one of the great personalities in the Democratic party, and I expect to live to see the day when he becomes President."

Mr DeWolf was born in Chester, 71 years ago, the son of Dr T. K. DeWolf, a physician and close friend of the builder of the Erie Canal, in whose honor DeWitt's middle name was made "Clinton."

The education of other children was so expensive that DeWitt decided to shift for himself in that line, and spent his childhood poring over histories and biographies. At 15 he went to Chicago in search of a career.

He learned fast, and at 25 was earning enough money to buy up coal lands as he traveled about the countryside peddling footwear. Soon he was president of the Chicago Coal Company and vice president of the Cskaloosa Coal and Mining Company of Iowa.

When he finally retired to Clinton he owned extensive coal fields in West Virginia and Kentucky. At Clinton he commenced buying and repairing old farms, and at his death owned 1700 acres of land. At one time his farm was noted for thoroughbred Hambletonians, and later prize herds of cattle.



**Fought Prohibition Issue**

While in Chicago he married Miss Harriet Woodcock, a native of Maine who died in 1922. They are survived by four daughters, Mrs Arthur Goodwin of Pittsfield, Mrs John H. Agnew of Brookline, Miss Loise DeWolf and Mrs James H. Ellis of Chester.

While unsuccessful in seeking statewide office for himself, Mr DeWolf was an important figure in the political life of Chester, serving as Selectman three times, as assessor for nine years and as registrar of voters for 10 years.

If there was one political issue which interested him more than the election of Ely to the Governorship, it was the abolition of prohibition. Male

supporters of the Volstead act he termed "old women," and derided them as he campaigned the state for Al Smith in 1928.

Mr DeWolf was a member of the Army and Navy Club of Boston, the Democratic state committee and the board of trustees of the Congregational Church of Chester Hill.

Funeral services will be held in that church Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev Irving P. Childs of Huntington and Rev Francis Anderson, pastor of the church, officiating. The body, his family announced tonight, will be cremated.

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## COUNCIL OK'S BAKER OVER PROTEST OF BAR

### Gov Curley Calls Objection to New Judge "Impertinence"

The first protest ever made by the Boston Bar Association's Committee on Judicial Selection on a Governor's appointee to the judiciary was disposed of as an unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence" by Gov Curley, as the Governor's Council confirmed yesterday the appointment of J. Arthur Baker, Republican councilor to the superior bench and replaced him in the Council by Morton H. Burdick, a Democrat. These two moves gave the Democrats a 6-3 majority in the Council.

With Councilor Grossman of Quincy, Republican, occasionally making the count 7-2, the Council then proceeded to confirm several appointments of the Governor. A motion to delay the Baker appointment until the Council could consider the Bar Association's protest, was tabled.

#### Other Appointments

In addition to Boles and Burdick the following appointments were made and confirmed:

Richard D. Grant, ex-secretary to the Governor, as a member of the Public Utilities Commission at \$7000 a year, to succeed Henry G. Wells.

Robert Robinson, lawyer and ex-Representative from old Ward 8, as a member of the Boston Finance Commission, to succeed William W. Saxe, who resigned, the Governor said, "to devote his full time to private business."

Deputy State Auditor Michael T. Kelleher of Cambridge as deputy in the State Department of Insurance to succeed Edgar P. Dougherty of Lowell, at \$3700 a year.

Bernard Sheridan of Somerville as State supervisor of marine fisheries to succeed William D. Desmond.

Harold L. Armstrong of Gloucester, to succeed M. Francis Buckley as clerk of the District Court of Eastern Essex.

Dr George V. Higgins of Randolph reappointed associate medical examiner of the 3d Norfolk District.

Charles M. Stiller, ex-secretary to Gov Cox, as secretary of the State Board of Auto Insurance and Appeals at \$2400, to succeed Grover C.

Hoyt, whom the Council removed from office.

Edmund J. Hoy, the Governor's personal secretary, as first secretary, to succeed Grant.

Councilor Grossman joined the Democrats to confirm Robinson and Armstrong.

The Governor's appointment of Charles E. Flynn of Saugus as trial judge to succeed William E. Ludden, because it is a judicial appointment, went over to next week.

#### Second Bar Protest

The Governor's open break with the Bar Association recalled the spontaneous protest of members of the bar over the removal of Ethelbert V. Grabill as reporter for the Supreme Judicial Court when the Governor, without following the custom of allowing the justices to recommend the appointment, gave the job to Edward D. Collins of South Boston.

"There is no section of the statutes which confers upon any organization the right to dictate appointments," said the Governor, who did not even bother to state that the letter from the Bar Association committee would have no effect on his course as far as Councilor Baker was concerned.

The letter from the association's committee, signed by Francis J. Carney, Boston lawyer and member of the executive committee of the American Bar Association, its chairman, avoided any comment on Mr Baker's qualifications, but urged that "Judges should be . . . men above suspicion in the public mind."

"Assume that Mr Baker is qualified by character, training and experience to be a justice of the Superior Court. But this communication is not primarily concerned with Mr Baker," the letter declared.

"There is a vital principle at stake—the inviolability of the courts.

"The main point is what a great body of the public has been convinced are the facts. It would be bootless to call to the attention of Your Excellency newspaper and other comments that for Mr Baker's failure to vote on a certain appointment of Your Excellency, his reward was to be an appointment to the Superior Court bench."

The letter went on to say that the appointment of Baker "well might have been 'post hoc sed non propter hoc,'" but asked "Does Your Excellency believe that the people at large can be convinced that such is the fact?"

"If our government is to survive the people must have confidence in their courts."



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The members of the committee guilty of what the Governor called "gratuitous impertinence," include Mr. Carnev. Daniel J. Lyne. Walter Powers, W. P. Murray, and Raymond S. Wilkins.

As the substitution of Baker by Burdick gives the Governor six Democrats on the Governor's Council, the appointment of Robinson to succeed Saxe continues the majority of Curley appointees, 4-1, on the Boston Finance Commission.

The opening of the Council meeting was held up nearly an hour while the Democratic members of the Council, along with Lieut Gov Joseph L. Hurley, were closeted in the Governor's office. The group, who later acceded to every Curley request, included Councilors Brennan, Coakley, Hennessy and Russell.

As a result of yesterday's proceedings, Councilors Schuster, Brooks and Grossman are the only Republicans on the Council. In addition to Mr Baker, Councilor Cote was also subtracted from the Republican group by means of an appointment. Mr Cote was made a member of the Fall River Finance Commission.

J. Arthur Baker, 56, was born in Buzzards Bay and removed with his family at an early age to Pittsfield. He is a graduate of Boston University and Boston University Law School. After five years of practice in Boston, he practiced law in Houston, Tex, returning to Pittsfield in 1911. His first public office was a position on the Pittsfield Board of Health. He made several unsuccessful campaigns for office, before his successful campaign for the Council, including a defeat by Joseph B. Ely for the Berkshire district attorneyship, a failure to get the Republican nomination for Secretary of State, and a failure to get the Republican nomination for state auditor in 1922.

Mr Baker is a Mason, an Elk and a member of other fraternities. His salary on the Superior Bench will be \$12,000.

### Burdick Born in Adams

Morton H. Burdick, born in Adams, Nov 27, 1886, attended the public schools and Williston Seminary. He studied at Georgetown University and also attended its school of law. While preparing for admission to the bar, he was in the real estate business in Adams.

In 1917, Mr Burdick married Ethel Thompson. They live in Easthampton. He has been steadily active in Democratic politics, serving in the House from the Berkshire district, 1912-15. He was beaten in the last election for the Governor's Council by Mr Baker, whom he now succeeds, by 600 votes.

Because of his early advocacy of the creation by the state of the scenic highway, he is known in his home section as the "father of the Mohawk Trail." He is now in the insurance business.

### ARMSTRONG NOMINATION SURPRISES GLOUCESTER

GLOUCESTER, Nov 13—The announcement today that Harold Armstrong has been nominated clerk of the Eastern District Court of this city was a surprise. The incumbent is attorney M. Francis Buckley, an old-line Democrat.

Armstrong, a World War veteran, was manager on Cape Ann for Gov Curley in his last campaign. He has been in the retail shoe business with his father, Michael Armstrong. He is not a lawyer.

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### Editorial Points

When a teacher weds a teacher, the Lynn committee thinks, the wife should cease teaching. The graceful solution would be to increase the husband's salary so she wouldn't need to teach.

Republican national committee has found an issue, the building of islands in lakes as boondoggling projects. It's agin 'em.

Four-year-olds may now go to kindergarten, the entrance exam being a psychological test. This ought to mean more business for movie matinees.

Irish jumping team won at the Horse Show; the Irish have been wonderful jumpers, having learned the trick when "the devil went through Athlone—in standing leps."

Dorchester police had to rescue a dog from a barn roof. Serves him right for doing cat tricks.

Five out of six divorce cases in Salem, and three out of five in Barnstable, are brought by women, which isn't saying much for Essex and Cape Cod husbands.

Winthrop Rockefeller, grandson of John D., wanted it kept out of print when he was ticketed for speeding. There is one sure way of accomplishing that wish.

The Ethiopians have proved that infantry can lick tanks—if there are enough infantry and enough reckless courage.

With a whole street before it, a skidding car in Quincy had to hit a hydrant, illustrating the innate cussedness of inanimate objects.

Mayor Hagan of Somerville, defeated for reelection, is to be married, so he will still have a full-time job.

The President's trade agreement with Canada was attacked within 24 hours of his announcement, showing what a trying job the Presidency is.

Dick Grant will be missed on the radio, unless Secretary Hoy also turns out to be a forcible speaker.

Counting up the people who must be placated, next year's Presidential candidates might be said to be running for Santa Claus.

Six inches of snow in Northern Maine, and the folks are just beginning to feel natural again.

Jesse Jones said bankers won't lend \$10 on \$20 bills as security. Bankers must think dollars don't mean dollars any more.

Mussolini's restriction of food imports might be called biting his people's nose off to spite his Fascists.

England has silently handed a German newspaper correspondent his passport, and the build-up of antagonism is on again.

Mr Roosevelt has at last revealed the secret by proclamation; now we all know when Thanksgiving Day will be.

You will not be forced to buy an ersatz Christmas tree this year. Cutting has begun in the Vermont pastures.

A foreseeing citizen can do his bit for Thanksgiving by buying his wife a new gas range.

All this recent gloom must be fog saved over from last Summer.

Irrepressible Bossy Gillis leads the list again.

November's about ready to quit fooling.

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### REMOVAL PERSONAL ISSUE WITH CURLEY, SAYS HOYT

Declaring that his removal was a personal issue between Gov Curley and himself, Grover C. Hoyt, deposed yesterday as secretary of the Automobile Insurance Board of Appeal, issued the following statement:

"My removal from the secretaryship of the board of appeal on motor vehicle liability policies and bonds was voted this afternoon by the Executive Council without opportunity for hearing; it was purely a personal issue between the Governor and myself, since seven members of the Council had given their word they would not vote for my removal unless the Governor insisted upon it.

"Each member of the board of appeal has repeatedly assured me he cast his vote for my removal with regret; but under orders. Commissioner DeCelles has several times stated to me, and to others, that the orders came from Curley—whom Councilor Coakley in a mayoralty campaign a few years ago described as the 'unspeakable Curley'—but whose orders he now obeys as do all the other Democratic Councilors.

"Curley seems not to have learned the lesson which the voters of Worcester, Lowell, Chelsea and other municipalities have recently sought to teach; he can be made to learn only through the overwhelming thrashing which he will be given next November, if he attempts to continue living at the public trough. I hope to be able to give a little nudge to the plurality which will be rolled up against him."



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# No Deal With Curley, Declares Baker

## NEW JUDGE SAYS HE NEVER ASKED FOR JOB

Intends to Be  
Humane on  
Bench

Still Strong For  
Grand Old Party,  
He Says

By M. E. HENNESSY

In a talk I had yesterday with J. Arthur Baker, ex-member of the Executive Council, confirmed yesterday as the successor of the late Judge Frederick J. MacLeod of the Superior Court, he defended himself against charges by prominent Republicans who have accused him of party treachery and of aiding Gov Curley in turning a Republican majority in the Executive Council into a Democratic majority, thus giving the Governor a free hand to dismiss Republican office-holders and put Democrats in their places.

Our talk was at the close of a luncheon, given by associates in the Council and other friends in honor of his appointment to the bench. Judge Baker's Democratic successor in the Council, Ex-Representative Morton Burdick, sat beside him. Ex-Councilor Edmond Cote, now chairman of the Fall River Finance Board by appointment of Gov Curley, and Richard F. Grant, the new member of the Public Utilities Board, were also present. Lieut Gov Joseph L. Hurley presided. All joined in congratulating the new judge. The Governor was unable to attend.

### "Made No Deal"

"I made no deal with Gov Curley," said Judge Baker. "I never asked him to appoint me as a judge or to any other position. Now that I am appointed to the bench, I'm going to make good. A lot of mean and untruthful things have been said about me during the past few weeks, because I dared to approve Gov Curley's appointments, but nobody has questioned my honesty or my integrity as a member of the bar. I'm going to be a humane judge and prove that the Governor made no mistake in naming me.

"The people of Massachusetts put James M. Curley in the Governor's chair by an overwhelming plurality. By their votes they plainly indicated that they wanted him to be Governor in fact as well as in name. It was not for me, a member of the Executive Council, to thwart the wishes of the Governor. My duty as a member of the Council, as I construed it, was to aid the Governor in his administra-

tion of the state's affairs and to give my assent to his appointments, when he named men fitted for the office. It was not for me to say that his appointments must be Republicans or Democrats. The only question I was concerned with was 'Is the man qualified for the position to which the Governor named him?'

### "My Troubles Started"

"As you know, my troubles started when I voted to confirm Councilor Cote as a member of the Finance Board of Fall River. There was no reason why I should not vote for him. I had served with him in the Council. I knew he had been a successful business man in his home city. I knew he was capable of filling the position. I believed that a Republican should succeed him in the Governor's Council and for that reason I refused to vote for the confirmation of his successor named by the Governor. I voted for a number of the Governor's appointments, it is true, but every one of them, in my opinion, was well qualified for the position to which he was named.

"Suppose I had obeyed the crack of the party whip, wielded by self-constituted party leaders, and had blocked the Governor at every turn. There would have been chaos in the Executive Department and every branch of the State Government would have suffered.

"Politics, petty partisan politics is at the bottom of all the hullabaloo that has been raised over my course in the Council.

"I confess that the situation was embarrassing. I was caught between two political fires. If I voted against the Governor's appointments I would be charged by the Democrats with being bought off by a promise of a higher office by the Republicans. When I voted for the Governor's appointments my Republican friends ac-



cused me of treason to the party and playing Curley's game."

Mr Baker added that he was pulled and hauled by prominent Republicans and threatened with political annihilation unless he voted with the Republican minority in opposition to Gov Curley.

### Frank With Governor

He said he had found Gov Curley considerate in his treatment of members of the Council. He had voted against several of the Governor's appointments he said, the Registrar of Motor Vehicles being one of them.

"I was frank with the Governor and he was frank with me in discussing such matters," said the Judge. I came to admire his because of his ability and what I believe to be a real desire on his part to give the state good government. In all the appointments he sent to the Council he spoke to be but twice. In one of these cases I voted against confirmation and in the other I voted for the appointee, whom I considered an excellent man for the place. I don't mind saying that that man was Police Commissioner McSweeney."

Judge Baker said the first he knew of Gov Curley's intention to appoint him to the bench was when he read it in the papers. He thinks the way Republican politicians attacked him for his votes in the council aroused Mr Curley's ire and sympathy. He said he thought the Governor felt that Councilor Baker was being unjustly treated by his Republican critics and when the fire against Baker was the hottest, he decided to show his appreciation of the Councilor by elevating him to the Superior Court bench.

Mr Baker would not discuss for publication the attack on the bar association on his appointment. He prefers to show them as a Judge, he said, that they were misinformed.

### Cape Cod Man

Judge Baker is a short, shunky man of 53. He was born at Buzzards Bay, Cape Cod. His people were seafaring men. As a boy he sold papers at the Buzzards Bay railroad station. When he was 13, he had a chance to make a trip to Washington. Grover Cleveland was President. Young Baker had seen him many times in the village and out on the bay fishing with Joe Jefferson and other cronies. An uncle of young Baker was the captain of a ship plying between Boston and New York.

The uncle took the boy to the latter city, where he put him aboard a Washington train. Another relative met him on his arrival in Washington.

His Washington relative remarked that President Cleveland had the reputation of being very democratic and that the way to test Mr Cleveland's democracy was to write to him that a youngster from Buzzards Bay was in Washington and would like to see him at the White House. In a day or two, Mr Cleveland's secretary acknowledged the letter and said the President would see the visitor the following day.

Accompanied by his relative, Baker called at the White House and was at once ushered into Mr Cleveland's private office. The President arose and greeted young Baker warmly, put his arm around his shoulder and with a chuckle asked, "Well, young man, how are the scup biting in Buzzards Bay?"

## Curley Choice For Judge



J. ARTHUR BAKER WITH MRS BAKER

Mr Cleveland made a lasting impression on young Baker. Hewas taken into the office of Lowell thought then that Mr Cleveland was a great man and he still thinks so. Lowell, the junior member of the firm, being the late Judge Lowell of the United States District Court in this city. Both were tried and true Republicans. I remained with them for six years.

### Still for G. O. P.

"But my people were all Republican," said Baker, taking up the thread of the narrative which he interrupted to tell of his Washington visit, "and I grew up in that party. Notwithstanding what has been said about my Republicanism of late, I am still for the Grand Old Party."

"My mother, who is 83, still lives on the Cape. She taught school at Mashpee before her marriage. I have a Summer home there. Father was one of the pioneers in the cranberry industry. He also went into oyster raising. For some time I was the town lamplighter at Buzzards Bay, going around my route carrying a ladder and a can of kerosene."

"I went to Worcester Academy for two years. One Summer vacation while I was at law school, I sold books down in Maine and played baseball at Bucksport. The next year I got a job as reporter on the Boston Post. Mr Grozier, who owned the paper, was a fellow Cape Codder. He sent upstairs to one of the editors and I was put to work at once."

"One of the big stories I worked on was the famous Blondin murder case. I was graduated from B. U. Law School, cum laude, in 1904. I

### Defeated by Ely

Nine years ago Mr Baker was the Republican candidate for Mayor of Pittsfield, but was defeated by 50 votes. On another occasion he lost by a slim margin the nomination for district attorney, the year Joseph B. Ely was the Democratic incumbent.

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At other times he took a pot shot at the Republican nomination for Secretary of State and State Treasurer, but in both cases he lost.

State Treas Charles F. Hurley said of Judge Baker last night:

"I have had a great many contacts with Judge Baker during his service in the Governor's Council, and I have always found him to be a high-minded public official. He is a kind man. The bench of Massachusetts needs more men like him. He comes from fine old Yankee, Cape Cod stock, than which there is none better and few equals. I am delighted and I am sure everybody at the State House who knows him is glad of his elevation to the bench."

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TO DE WOLF**

**Gov Curley to Appoint  
Someone Next Week**

Gov Curley said today that he would submit at next week's regular meeting of the Executive Council the name of a successor to DeWitt C. DeWolf, state commissioner of labor and industries, who died yesterday at his home in Chester.

Although the Governor stated that he was not prepared to announce his choice for the place, there has been much speculation as to his possible selection. Prominent among those mentioned are Miss Mary E. Meehan, assistant commissioner, who has performed the exacting duties a head of the department during Mr DeWolf's long sickness. Others are Charles G. Wood, a Democrat, of Concord, who was formerly a member of the State Board of Conciliation and Arbitration and later became Federal Conciliator, a position from which he retired more than a year ago.

Another possible choice, it is reported, is James T. Moriarty, prominent labor leader and active in the State Federation of Labor.

The Governor today sent a floral tribute to the DeWolf home.

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**What's on the Air?**

**Hymn to the Sun**

Albert Spalding, noted violinist, will play the "Hymn to the Sun" from Rimsky-Korsakoff's "Coq d'Or," and Sarasate's "Zigeunerweisen," Part 2; and Ruth Bryan Owen, American Ambassador to Denmark, will speak on the Squibb world peace ways program, which is to be heard over the C. B. S.-WNAC network tonight from 9:30 to 10 o'clock. The period also will include several of the most dramatic scenes from Noel Coward's "Cavalcade," the peace play which was made into a motion picture after its long run on the London stage.

**Variety**

Colin Clive, English actor of stage and screen; Willie and Eugene Howard, veteran comedy team, and Billy House, musical comedy funster, will be guest star attractions on Rudy Vallee's Variety broadcast over an N. B. C.-WEEI network tonight at 8 o'clock. Clive, who is best known for his work in "Journey's End," will play the leading role in a dramatic sketch the name of which will be announced later.

**"Pagliacci" Duet**

The famous duet from Leoncavallo's opera, "Pagliacci," will be sung by Agnes Davis, soprano, and Wilbur Evans, baritone, the popular young artists who won first prize in national auditions in 1927 when they appear as guests with William Daly's Orchestra over the nation-wide C.B.S.-WNAC network tonight, from 8:30 to 9 o'clock. Daly has prepared several outstanding orchestral highlights including "Stout-hearted Men" from Romberg's "New Moon," Fritz Kreisler's "La Gitana," and the "Huckleberry Finn" music from Ferde Grofe's "Mississippi Suite."

**Forum**

Norman Thomas, Socialist leader, and Robert L. Lund, chairman of the board of the National Association of Manufacturers, are the principal speakers to be heard over an N. B. C.-WBZ network from America's Town Meeting in Town Hall, New York city. Their subject for discussion is "Can Socialism or Capitalism Bring About Recovery?" At the conclusion of their talks there will be an open forum with the audience joining in the discussion. The program will be broadcast from 9:30 to 10:30 tonight.

**Red Cross Appeal**

Gov James M. Curley will be heard over WBZ this evening in an appeal for public support of the American Red Cross. Speaking at 7:15 to 7:30 p m Curley will direct his remarks specifically to the 1935-1936 rollcall of Boston Metropolitan Chapter, A. R. C.

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**GOV CURLEY SAYS BANKS  
SHOULD CUT CHARGES**

Gov Curley today expressed himself in entire agreement with the position taken by President Roosevelt that interest rates charged by banks should be pared down.

"The suggestion is a most excellent one and one which the banks should immediately adopt," said the Governor.

Pointing out that there are huge sums now on deposit in the banking institutions and that some of this, that put in by cities and towns, is being used by the banks without paying of interest, as compared with the rates of 2 and 3 percent prior to 1930, the Governor said that the time has come when these funds should be put into circulation. This, he went on, would be beneficial, not only to the public, but the banks as well.

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**NO COMPLAINT FROM  
STONEHAM RECEIVED**

**Governor So Says About  
Public Works Jobs**

It was stated by Gov Curley this afternoon that he had received no complaint from the Selectmen of Stoneham to the effect that residents of Woburn are being employed on local state Public Works projects.

Sometime ago the Governor promulgated a rule that preference in employment be given to residents of the town in which the project was to be put through. He expressed the belief today that the rule has generally been complied with.

The Governor indicated, however, that there will be difficulty in supplying jobs for residents of Boston, inasmuch as many of the public works projects in this vicinity are being completed. This was evidenced, he said, by the fact that 30 men called at his home this morning, seeking work, stating they had been discharged with the completion of the sidewalks in Dedham and West Roxbury.



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### POSTAL MEN TO TENDER BANQUET TO JOHN FOLEY

John S. Foley, who was recently promoted to a supervisory position in the Boston postal service, will be given a testimonial banquet Saturday evening at the Hotel Somerset by the members of Branch 34, N. A. L. C., in tribute to his service as a member of the postal employees' legislative committee. Mr Foley has been a member of the National Association of Letter Carriers for the last 35 years, an officer for the past 18 years and at present is national vice president.

Mr Foley's friends are pleased that his ability has been recognized and he has been given an executive post in the postal service here. His duties as a national association officer took him to all parts of the country and his outstanding ability and pleasing

disposition won him a host of friends. The committee in charge of the affair has received assurance that men prominent in national and state affairs will attend the banquet. Among these are Gov Curley, Postmaster Peter F. Tague, and members of Congress from the Boston postal district.

The program includes a reception beginning at 6:30, followed by dinner



JOHN S. FOLEY

at 7 with speechmaking, entertainment and dancing afterward. Thomas F. Meade of the Central Postoffice is chairman of the committee with John Piotti of the Back Bay Postoffice as secretary, and Fred Greehan of the Back Bay, as treasurer of the committee on arrangements.

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### CURLEY MAN ASKED TO STAY AS PASTOR

Worcester Flock Sends  
Him Basket of Roses Also

Special Dispatch to the Globe

WORCESTER, Nov 13—The First Swedish Baptist Church at a special business meeting tonight voted unanimously to request Rev Dr Morris Peterson, who was appointed Commissioner of Correction by Gov Curley, to withdraw his resignation presented Sunday because he was "tired of being criticized because he is a Democrat."

The congregation sent him a large basket of red roses and a message asking him to reconsider and remain as pastor of the church.

Dr Peterson was deeply impressed, but had no statement to make as to his future plans. He said he would make an announcement within the next two days.

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### TO WIDEN CUTOFF ON WORCESTER PIKE

Curley Gives Assurance in  
"Death Trap" Matter

Maurice O'Toole, representing the City Government of Worcester, today requested Gov Curley to take immediate steps for the widening of the southwest cut-off of the Worcester turnpike, which, he said, is fast acquiring the reputation as a "death trap."

The Governor promptly called in Commissioner William F. Callahan of the state Department of Public Works and inquired what it would cost to widen the road. The figure estimated by Commissioner Callahan was \$1,500,000.

Both Gov Curley and the commissioner assured Mr O'Toole that work would be begun next Spring, looking toward the ultimate reconstruction of the cut-off.

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### ARMSTRONG NOMINATION SURPRISES GLOUCESTER

GLOUCESTER, Nov 13—The announcement today that Harold Armstrong has been nominated clerk of the Eastern District Court of this city was a surprise. The incumbent is attorney M. Francis Buckley, an old-line Democrat.

Armstrong, a World War veteran was manager on Cape Ann for Gov Curley in his last campaign. He has been in the retail shoe business with his father, Michael Armstrong. He is not a lawyer.

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### ROGERS COMMITTEE TO HOLD GRAND BALL

Theatrical People to Provide Entertainment at Garden

The Will Rogers memorial committee decided yesterday to have a grand ball in the Boston Garden either before or soon after Thanksgiving, with theatrical people providing entertainment. This was announced after a meeting in the office of the chairman, P. A. O'Connell.

Allan Forbes, president of the State Street Trust Company and head of the bankers' group, was appointed treasurer of the committee. Joseph A. Tomasello, chairman of the speakers committee, announced that Gov. Curley had provided office space for the committee in the State House, and that future meetings would be held there.

A secretary will be on duty at the new office throughout the day to answer questions and attend to routine matters. The acceptance of chairmanship of the donations committee by Frank Dorr was announced.



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## GOVERNOR'S NEW SECRETARY



Shown above is the Governor's new secretary and his family in the living room of their Brighton home. They are, left to right: Edmond J. Hoy, Edmond Hoy, Jr., 5; Mrs. Vivian Hoy, and James Hoy, 4. The Hoy's live at 20 Presentation road, Brighton.

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## PASTOR DEFENDS CRITIC OF CURLEY

### Protests Against "Spirit of Mediaeval Tyranny"

The Rev. Grady D. Feagan, minister of the First Baptist Church of Arlington, last night protested against the "spirit of mediaeval tyranny" of Gov. Curley in characterizing the Rev. Dr. Howard J. Chidley of Winchester as a "knave" merely because he protested against the inclusion of political propaganda in the Governor's Armistice day proclamation.

Mr. Feagan said he refused to read the full text of the proclamation to his congregation last Sunday because of its character. A statement released by him last night follows: "In view of the scathing attack of Gov. Curley upon the Rev. Dr. Howard Chidley for his protest against a political use of the Governor's Armistice day proclamation, I feel it proper that I should state my own reaction to this proclamation.

"On the very first reading of it in my study, without knowing the reaction of any other man, I determined that I could not conscientiously read it in full. Consequently, in my pulpit last Sunday morning I deliberately omitted the body of the proclamation which praised the present leadership as the embodiment of the faith of the leaders who have gone before, which declared for armaments 'till every nation in the world lays aside its guns,' and which lauded soldiery as the sole reason for our national preservation. At the time, I frankly told my congregation why I was making the omission.

"I refuse to propagandize my people for the New Deal under the pretense of an Armistice day proclamation. I refuse to assert that in the great disarmament movements of the world America will play no other role than that of bringing up the rear of the procession when 'every other nation in the world lays aside its guns.' I refuse to forget the sacrificial and heroic work of schools, churches, and social uplift organizations to the point of spreading the claim that our soldiers alone have preserved our institutions, according to the sixth paragraph of the proclamation.

"Furthermore, as an individual citizen I deeply resent that spirit of mediaeval tyranny that would classify a well known and honored citizen of our commonwealth as a 'knave' because he refused to make his pulpit an adjunct to the political glorification of the ruling party."



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## SCHOOL BOARD HONORS HURLEY

New West Roxbury High  
To Bear Name of  
Late Official

### ANNOUNCEMENT AT GILLIS DINNER

Announcement of the naming of the new West Roxbury high school in memory of Joseph J. Hurley, former member of the school committee, was made last night at the dinner tendered his life-long friend, Dr. Frederick J. Gillis, recently appointed assistant superintendent of schools, at the Hotel Somerset.

To further perpetuate the memory of his boyhood chum in Roxbury, his "buddy" in France and his most intimate friend during the past 17 years, Dr. Gillis gave to Boston College, from which both were graduated, an appropriately inscribed solid gold chalice for use in the students' chapel.

There were 750 educators, war-time comrades, members of the American Legion and personal friends who paid tribute to Dr. Gillis in recognition of his elevation to the administrative staff of the Boston schools.

By Dr. Gillis's express wish, Mrs. Irene Hurley, widow of the former school committeeman who died several months ago as a result of a fall in the North end, was a guest at the dinner.

Praise was showered on Dr. Gillis by directors of the various colleges from which he holds degrees, by the four members of the school committee, by Patrick T. Campbell, superintendent of schools, and by John H. Walsh, state department commander of the American Legion.

In recognition of his meritorious war service, which was described in detail by Dr. Herbert L. Johnson of West Roxbury, who was of the medical staff of the 26th division, Comdr. Walsh pinned on the coat of Dr. Gillis the Verdun medal bestowed by the town council of Verdun, France.

William J. Cunningham was the toastmaster. Tributes to the achievements of Dr. Gillis were paid by Dr. Charles E. Mackey, chairman, Dr. Joseph V. Lyons, who announced the decision to name the new West Roxbury school the Joseph J. Hurley school, Maurice J. Tobin, who also represented Gov. Curley, and Frederick R. Sullivan, school committee members.

Dr. Gillis was praised for "his ability, knowledge, sincerity, courage and tact" by the Rev. John B. Creedon, of Boston College.

The principal address was made

## DR. GILLIS HONORED AT DINNER



by the Most Rev. Louis J. Gallagher, president of Boston College, who dwelt on the fame of the public educational system established in Boston five years after the settlement of the town.

"It is the most distinguished school system in the country," he said in prefacing remarks about the responsibilities of teachers in the formation of the character of children. "Boston," he continued, "carries more responsibility in the educational world than any city in the country. The systematic public educational system had its origin in Boston. Every public educational system is the growth of the Boston system."

Dr. Gillis expressed his appreciation of old time friends who had traveled great distances to attend the dinner. Among those he presented was Sheriff Dan Dowd of Woodstock, Vt.



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## State House Briefs

By HENRY EHRLICH

Charles G. Wood, of Concord, former conciliator in the United States department of labor, is a candidate to succeed Edward Fisher, chairman of the state board of conciliation and arbitration, whose term will expire Dec. 1. Wood resigned from the federal department following an altercation with Secretary Perkins. He has previously served on the state board. It is also understood that former Representative C. F. Nelson Pratt of Saugus, a Republican, has been for some months the Governor's choice for the job. Pratt lobbied actively for passage of the Governor's bond issue bill.

Gov. Curley will be in New York Saturday to watch his son, Leo, play football for Georgetown against Manhattan.

Councillor Joseph B. Grossman of Quincy, Republican, is a candidate for reelection to the executive council, he said yesterday when asked if he planned to run for lieutenant governor. "My candidate for lieutenant governor is Associate Judge Kenneth D. Johnson of Milton," Grossman declared. "I am not a candidate, but will seek reelection. Further I hope to have the opportunity of serving under another Republican Governor."

The driving license of Raymond V. Barrette, Lt. Gov. Joseph L. Hurley's chauffeur, was restored yesterday after two months suspension by Frank A. Goodwin, registrar of motor vehicles. The license had been withdrawn for negligent driving. At a sitting of the Bristol county superior court Tuesday it developed that Barrette had withdrawn his appeal and paid a \$25 lower court fine.

State police, continuing their drive against speeding motorists on the Southwest cutoff near Worcester, stopped 30 cars Tuesday and booked 21 for traffic violations. No accidents were reported, but there have been three fatalities on this highway since the first of the month.

A group of real estate owners called upon Henry H. Pierce, state bank commissioner, to ask that he present to the legislature a legal remedy whereby the prevailing decline in real estate property values would be borne more equally by mortgagor and mortgagee. The principal complaint presented a situation where the real estate owner loses his property through foreclosure and is still made liable to the mortgagor when reduced property values make it impossible for his property to be sold at auction or otherwise for a sufficient amount to cover the mortgage.

The state department of public health is conducting a search for the owner of a rabid cat. Last Friday an unidentified man brought to the Animal Rescue League a cat which he said had been "acting queerly" and which had scratched his arm. He said he was an employe of a Back Bay meat market, and was told to return to work, and if he found that the cat had bitten any one, to report it to the League. The cat

died of rabies, but the authorities are unable to locate the market man.

The number of manufacturing establishments in Worcester in 1934 was 484, with a capital investment of \$128,057,104. The value of all products manufactured was \$109,341,585, of stock and materials used earners were paid \$27,427,523. Subsidy was \$49,533,171, and 25,109 wage substantial increases are registered as compared with the corresponding totals for 1933, and the increases are the more important since they appear in machine shop products, machine tools, iron and steel and wire, basic industries from which producers' durable goods are made.

Third in rank among the manufacturing cities of the commonwealth on the basis of value of products manufactured, Worcester stands second in the number of wage earners employed. The metal industries, particularly iron and steel, constitute the chief products of manufacture, 48.1 per cent. of the total factory payroll for the city having been paid from them.

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## JUDGE BAKER

It is certainly not the function of the Boston bar association to determine judicial nominations. That is clearly the duty of the Governor and council, whether they perform it properly or improperly. But no bar association which remains tongue-tied when an appointment is made under conditions which shake the confidence of the people in judicial administration deserves the membership of a single upright lawyer.

The Boston bar association's view of the appointment of J. Arthur Baker as a judge of the superior court is that of the average citizen. We are entitled to judges who are not only competent, upright and free from embarrassing commitments but who are "above suspicion in the public mind." The people appraise a judge by what he appears superficially to be, as much as by what he actually is. If circumstances reveal him as apparently unworthy of a place on the bench, confidence in the courts declines and government becomes contemptible. When A goes out of his way to do a favor for B, and B then does handsomely by A, of course the public will see a cause-and-effect relation whether it exists or not.

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## ASK PASTOR TO REMAIN

Church Votes Dr. Peterson  
Withdraw Resignation

WORCESTER, Nov. 13—Members of the First Swedish Baptist Church tonight voted to ask the Rev. Morris Peterson, who resigned as pastor of the church on Sunday, to withdraw his resignation and return as pastor. After taking the vote church members presented Dr. Peterson with a huge floral wreath of roses.

The Rev. Dr. Peterson resigned after declaring that he was tired of being criticised for being a Democrat. He was active in behalf of Governor Curley during the latter's campaign for Governor. The prominent minister declined to say tonight whether he would withdraw his resignation.



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# PROF. ROGERS WILL HEAD STATE BOARD

To Be Named Commissioner of Education Next Wednesday by Gov. Curley - Appointment Effective Dec. 1 for Five Years----Friends Declare Tech Man Seek Place Now Held by Payson Smith Whose Term Did Not Expires Aided Governor in Campaign for Election----Advised Him Against Fiery Attacks Supt. Campbell of Hub Schools Considered for Position, but Declined to Accept

Robert E. Rogers, professor of English at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is Governor Curley's choice to succeed Payson Smith as State commissioner of education.

Although no public statement has been made either by the Governor or Professor Rogers, it was learned last night that the famous Tech professor will accept the appointment, although in no sense has he sought it.

Mr. Smith's term as commissioner expires Dec. 1, and it is expected that the appointment of Professor Rogers



will be submitted by the Governor to the Executive Council next Wednesday. It is known that the Governor has been discussing the matter with some well-known educators for some time. Dr. Smith has always stood high among educational authorities and it has been pointed out to the Governor that his successor would have to be a man who would command equally high recognition to insure confidence in the head of the State's educational department.

In the light of past experiences when there have been suggestions for displacement of Dr. Smith, it is anticipated that a hard drive will be made to have him retained in his present position. It is understood, however, that Governor Curley has determined on a change and his friends are confident that the appointment of Professor Rogers will be confirmed immediately upon its submission to the Executive Council.

It is understood that Patrick T. Campbell, superintendent of schools of Boston, had been under consideration as a possible successor to Commissioner Smith, but that he could not consider it because of the larger salary and pension provisions which go with his present position.

#### Gave "Be a Snob" Line

Professor Rogers is one of the most widely known men in the country today. He achieved nation-wide publicity six years ago, when banteringly he gave his famous advice to the Tech graduating class to "be a snob, marry the boss' daughter and don't bother with the stenographer if you expect to succeed."

In more recent times after the depression set in throughout the country, Professor Rogers has said that the snob advice had "whiskers." He also revised his ideas as to whom his students should marry by saying, also in more or less of a jest, that he was all wrong in 1929, and that the young man should marry the stenographer, because she probably had a job, while the boss' daughter was probably broke.

More than a year ago now, however, he said he has been trying to live down that whole good-natured controversy, but added: "It's like the Old Man of the Sea. I can't shake the pesky thing."

The selection of Professor Rogers by the Governor will come as no surprise to those who were on the inside of the last State election campaign.

#### Aided Curley Campaign

The English expert from Tech was one of a professional group who contributed much to the Curley cause last fall. He kept well in the background, but exerted a psychological influence on the political campaign by keeping the gubernatorial candidate from indulging in the fiery attacks on his opponents which had characterized previous Curley canvasses.

Mr. Curley's speeches in the 1936 campaign were so mild most of the time that some of his close friends failed to recognize them as emanating from the Curley they had known in other years. There were evidences at times that the Governor chafed under the softening influence of Professor Rogers and his associates, and threatened to "tear loose" in his old-fashioned manner. He was much like the 400 hitter who was told to bunt every time he went to bat. But in that campaign he followed instructions, and much of his success was attributed to the advice of Rogers

and his professorial-political group.

#### Educated in Cambridge

Robert Emmons Rogers was born in Haddonfield, N. J., April 12, 1888. His preparatory education was acquired in Cambridge Latin School and he received the degrees of A. B. and A. M. at Harvard in 1909.

He married Marie Bauer of Philadelphia in 1918 and they have one daughter, Desiree, who, incidentally, although only 16, may have been somewhat helpful in having her illustrious father given such serious consideration by the Governor. It will be recalled that George, 16-year-old son of the Governor, held up a dinner party at a Back Bay hotel in honor of the Governor because he had to call at the Rogers home in Cambridge to escort Miss Desiree to the affair.

Professor Rogers started his teaching work as an instructor in English at Harvard in 1917 and has been associate professor of English since 1923.

#### Popular Lecturer

He has been one of the most popular lecturers in the State university extension course since 1920. He is a Phi Beta Kappa man. He lives at 148 Brattle street, Cambridge.

Payson Smith, the present commissioner, has held the position since July 1, 1917. He was born in Portland, Me., Feb. 11, 1873, and received his education at Westbrook Seminary and Tufts College, from which he received an honorary degree of A. M. in 1903. He was principal of high schools and superintendent of schools in Canton, Me.; and later superintendent of schools at Auburn, Me.; State superintendent of public schools for 10 years until his appointment as commissioner of education for Massachusetts in 1917. At one time Mr. Smith was offered the position of federal director of education by President Calvin Coolidge. He is married, has one son and lives in Brookline.

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## PLAN BALL FOR ROGERS FUND

Will Be Held in Garden  
About Thanksgiving

The Will Rogers memorial committee at a meeting held in the office of Chairman P. A. O'Connell at Slattery's, on Tremont street, yesterday, made plans for a grand ball to be held in the Boston Garden around Thanksgiving time.

A letter was received from Frank Dorr of Raymond's enclosing his check for \$100, also an acceptance of the chairmanship of the donations committee.

Allan Forbes, president of the State Street Trust Company and head of the bankers' group, was appointed treasurer of the committee and the State Street Trust Company was the official depository for funds.

Joseph A. Tomasello, chairman of the speakers' committee, said Governor Curley had assigned rooms in the State House to be used as headquarters for the committee. The committee and various sub-committees will meet there in the future.

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#### Headliners Today

3:30 p. m.—WBZ. Annual Diction Award and celebration of American Academy of Arts and Letters.

4:00 p. m.—WEEI. Girls' Service League of America—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, "Youth's Opportunity Today."

4:30 p. m.—WBZ. Radio Guild—Shakspearean Cycle—"Richard II."

7:15 p. m.—WBZ. Red Cross Roll Call—Governor James M. Curley, speaker.

7:45 p. m.—WEEI. Miriam Miller and Ray Jones.

8:00 p. m.—WEEI. Rudy Vallee's variety hour, starring Colin Clive in a sketch; Willie and Eugene Howard; Billy House and Kingsley and Chase, song and piano team, guests.

8:30 p. m.—WBZ. Smith College programme.

8:30 p. m.—WNAC. Wilbur Evans, baritone; Agnes Davis, soprano, and William Daly's Orchestra.

9:00 p. m.—WEEI. Lanny Ross presents Show Boat.

9:00 p. m.—WNAC. Walter O'Keefe, Deane Janis and Glen Gray's Casa Loma Orchestra.

9:30 p. m.—WBZ. "Must We Organize for Recovery?" Noel Sargent and Norman Thomas, speakers.

9:30 p. m.—WNAC. To Arms for Peace—Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen, Ambassador to Denmark, speaker, and Albert Spalding, violinist.

10:00 p. m.—WEEI. Paul Whiteman's Music Hall with Joe Cook, comedian; Dewi Jones, 12-year-old boy soprano; Pauline Alpert, pianist, and Joseph Bentonelli, operatic tenor, guest artists.

10:15 p. m.—WAAB. "Man Bites Man." Stanley Walker interviewed by John Lardner.



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# Brennan Nearly Blocks Confirming Kelleher



"CONGRATULATIONS, YOUR HONOR"  
Lieutenant-Governor Joseph L. Hurley, left, congratulates Judge J. Arthur Baker, whose appointment to the Superior Court bench was confirmed by the Executive Council.

The refusal of Executive Councillor James J. Brennan of Somerville to vote for confirmation of Michael T. Kelleher as a deputy insurance commissioner threatened Governor Curley's control of the council for a brief period yesterday and quick action to administer the oath of office to Morton H. Burdick, the new councillor, to succeed Judge J. Arthur Baker, was necessary to save the situation.

## SAVED BY RECESS

When his appointment to the Superior Court was confirmed, Judge Baker resigned as a Councillor. That left only Lieutenant-Governor Joseph L. Hurley and seven Councillors to act on subsequent appointments. Mr. Burdick was confirmed, 5 to 3, and several other appointments were approved, the five Democrats voting in favor and the three remaining Republicans voting against confirmation.

When the Kelleher name was submitted, Councillor Brennan, Democrat,



MORTON H. BURDICK  
New member of Governor's Council.

joined with the three Republicans in favor of postponing action on the appointment. The motion was killed on a tie vote. Then, on the direct question of confirming Mr. Kelleher, the Somerville Democrat, voted with the three Republicans in the negative. The tie vote blocked confirmation, and the Governor was in a hole.

Councillor Daniel H. Coakley then moved for a recess, stating that Judge Baker wished to get away and that he should be sworn in as judge before leaving. During the recess, Governor Curley administered the oath to the judge and also to Councillor Burdick, who immediately took his seat as a member of the Council.

## Burdick's Vote Decides

The recess over, the Council reconsidered its action on Mr. Kelleher, and his appointment was confirmed, 5 to 4, with Councillor Burdick casting the deciding vote and Councillor Brennan continuing to vote with the three Republicans against confirmation.

At various times during the year, Councillor William G. Hennessey of Lynn and Councillor Brennan, Democrats, have refused to follow the Governor's leadership and have opposed certain appointments. It was because of their previous action on some occasions that Republicans yesterday were encouraged to believe it might be possible to block confirmation of Judge Baker, and there were conferences in the Governor's office prior to the Council meeting which added somewhat to the hopes of the anti-Baker forces.

Both Democratic Councillors, however, stated that they intended to vote to confirm Judge Baker and were recorded in favor when the session opened.

## Baker Vote 5 to 3

Judge Baker was confirmed by a vote of 5 to 3, with Lieutenant-Governor Hurley, Councillors Coakley, Russell, Brennan and Hennessey in favor, and Councillors Frank A. Brooks, Joseph B. Grossman and Winfield A. Schuster, Republicans, voting against confirmation.

Councillor Burdick's confirmation was on the same line-up.

The appointment of Mr. Kelleher to be a deputy insurance commissioner brought about the displacement of Edgar F. Dougherty of Lowell, whose term, it was ruled, ended with that of Merton L. Brown as insurance commissioner, although Mr. Dougherty has held over as a deputy since.

Confirmation of Judge Baker was opposed yesterday by the Boston Bar Association's committee on judicial selection. Francis J. Carney, chairman, sent a letter to Governor Curley asking that the appointment be withdrawn. President Carney also sent a letter to each member of the council, requesting that unless the Baker appointment was withdrawn, the members refrain from voting to confirm it. The protest was based on reports that Judge Baker's appointment was the result of an arrangement by which he was being rewarded for action taken by him as a member of the executive council.

## "Unwarranted Impertinence"

Governor Curley branded the letter from Mr. Carney as "an unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence," and refused to withdraw the Baker appointment.

"There is no section of the statutes," he said, "which confers upon any organization the right to dictate appointments and I can conceive of nothing that would be a greater menace to the administration of justice than the adoption of the course of procedure as recommended by the bar association, which, in essence, could mean none other than the making of the bar association a super-perpetuating institution with membership in each succeeding year dictated by the association."

Although he had announced he would submit the name of Richard D. Grant, his private secretary, to the council at next week's session for the place on



the public utilities commission made vacant by the resignation of Henry G. Wells, the Governor submitted it yesterday and it was confirmed, 6 to 3, on straight party lines.

Mr. Grant announced later that he will take over his new duties Dec. 1, although Mr. Wells asked to be relieved of his duties Nov. 20.

It is understood that if Mr. Grant took the place Nov. 20, he would serve

only until Dec. 1, when the Wells term is due to expire, and would have to be named again for the full five-year term. Waiting until the date on which Mr. Wells' term expires will obviate a second appointment.

The Governor yesterday accepted the resignation of William W. Saxe as member of the Boston Finance Commission, and named in his place former State Representative and former assistant district attorney, Robert Robinson of Boston.

Bernard J. Sheridan of Somerville, well known in railroad service for many years at the North station in Boston, was named State supervisor of marine fisheries to succeed William D. Desmond, whose term has expired; Harold L. Armstrong of Gloucester to be clerk of the District Court there in place of M. Francis Buckley, and George V. Higgins of Randolph to be associate medical examiner of the third Norfolk district, a reappointment.

Charles M. Stiller, who was an assistant secretary to former Governor Channing H. Cox and later a member of the State Industrial Accident Board, was named as secretary of the board of appeal on automobile insurance.

#### Sees Curley's Orders

He succeeds Grover C. Hoyt, well-known newspaper reporter, who last night issued a statement charging that his removal had been forced by the Governor and declaring that seven of the nine members of the Executive Council had told him that they were willing to keep him on the job, but that the Governor insisted he must be removed.

Mr. Hoyt said that his removal was voted without an opportunity for a hearing.

"It was purely a personal issue between the Governor and myself, since seven members of the Council had given me their word they would not vote for my removal unless the Governor insisted upon it.

"Each member of the board of appeal has repeatedly assured me he cast his vote for my removal with regret, but under orders; Commissioner DeCelles has several times stated to me and to others that the orders came from Governor Curley."

Charles E. Flynn, 38 Jackson street, Cliftondale, with law offices at 8 Beacon street, Boston, named yesterday by Governor Curley as trial justice of the Saugus Police Court, is widely known in his native town.

He has not only served as counsel for many Saugus firms, but on several occasions served as special town counsel. He is chairman of the Saugus town Democratic committee and has always taken an active part in Democratic affairs.

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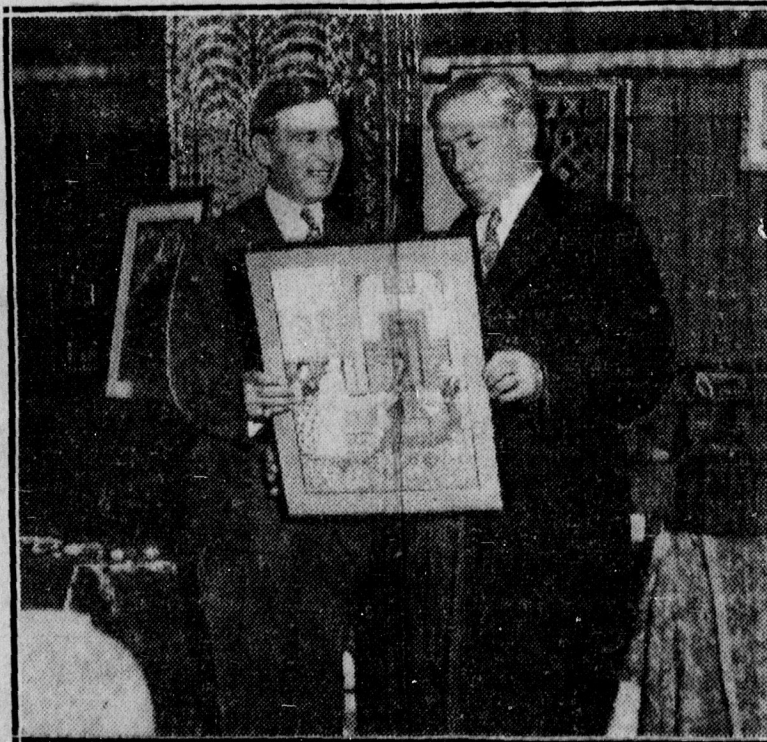
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## GOVERNOR CURLEY AT PAINE'S



Governor Curley, right, examines a picture with A. Khan Rahimi, collector of the Persian Fine Arts exhibit at Paine's furniture store. Mr. Rahimi is explaining to the Governor the merits of a Bezhad miniature.



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## Gossip of the Town

**WANTED: A HORSE.** Dr. James Hitchcock, of 2 Strong place, Beacon Hill, of 29 Commonwealth avenue, of the Massachusetts General Hospital, and of Mason, N. H., hadn't the remotest intention of buying a buggy. Really, he hadn't.

But the doctor and Mrs. Hitchcock are ardent pickers-up of antiques and rare pieces. And here at a New Hampshire farm auction a melancholy auctioneer was trying to get rid of a buggy that nobody wanted. It was a handsome rig, none the worse for its years, leather top, plush curtains and cushions—what went for a streamline gubernatorial equipage of the '90s.

Just to evoke a laugh out of the solemn silence, Dr. Hitchcock yelled: "Fifty cents!"

But nobody laughed, not even a snicker, and the auctioneer, gratefully and with almost impolite eagerness lest the bid be withdrawn, snapped back:

"Sold for 50 cents."

The doctor had to go through with it, sent the bargain-buggy to his New Hampshire place, and is now awaiting a chance to put in a 75-cent bid for a horse to go with it.

**THE 'BY-THE-WAY' PARAGRAPH:** Of course we should have added a column back that Police Inspector Jim Dennessey, whom we were writing about, has been retired from the Boston force these two years. . . . P. J. Craffey, who has a better lantern than Diogenes had, discovered and tells us about the very honest Waltham caddy, Ray Clark, who found an expensive and long lost watch on the Sandy Burr course and returned it to Jim Knowles, the owner. Not that honesty of this sort is so strikingly unusual, but then— . . . The rest of them may be just a lot of mechanics, but Joseph McAleney, of Meeting House Hill, Dorchester, has garage stationery proclaiming him to be: "AUTOMOTIVE TECHNICAL ADVISOR."

**DON'T REPEAT THIS TO ANY-ONE:** Even as meticulously accurate a writer as Lucius Beebe in his mighty tome about Boston set it down that we have public tennis courts on Boston Common—but he writes so charmingly, who wouldn't forgive it? . . . There's something magic about working in the gubernatorial throne-room, for not only Edmond J. Hoy, Governor Curley's personal stenographer, has been advanced to chief secretaryship, but other male stenographers likewise saw themselves well "taken care of." . . . E. F. Doyle, in the Federal building's domestic money order department, spots counterfeit bills by looking for blurs in the engraving, and Frank Bachelder of the U. S. Secret Service, in the same building, sent down some acid the other day, to help in the detection of spurious coins.

**HILL ON THE HILL:** N. S. Hill, restorer of fragile antiques, who has just moved from Hamilton place, after three Hill generations have tolled there, to the peak of Beacon Hill's Park street, examined some Italian candleabra the other day. The chauffeur of a Back Bay lady who brought it in was looking for a mate to the stick.

Craftsman Hill didn't have its mate, but had a hunch that the antique would be back soon—a psychic reaction. And in 20 minutes there was the chauffeur with the candlestick in a dozen pottery pieces.

"Madame," he said, "wants this repaired. She just broke it herself. I put it on the back seat and when she got in she sat down on it."

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### THE RIGHT OF PROTEST

A little reflection will probably show the Governor that he was rather unjust to the Bar Association in assailing its protest against the Baker appointment to the bench as "unwarranted and impertinent."

It would be a good thing if the Bar Association were more vocal in matters affecting the bench and the bar. The chief criticism of the Association is that it is not heard from more often on important matters. The Bar Association in New York is very powerful. All Governors there, Democratic and Republican alike, invariably treat communications and recommendations from the Bar Association as of considerable importance.

The appointment of a judge is of direct concern to the Bar Association as it is to every lawyer in the State. This does not mean that the Bar Association should dictate appointments to the bench, nor does it imply that the association speaks with the united voice of the bar.

Many judicial appointments are political in this and other States. All Governors make political appointments to the bench; some good ones and some poor ones.

In the ordinary course of appointments, the selection of Mr. Baker for the bench would arouse little comment. He is a man of high character with a good reputation and, doubtless, his experience at the bar is not less than that of other men on the bench.

But the newspaper reports have made it perfectly plain that some sort of a trade, implied or actual, was the compelling motive for his appointment.

Indeed the Governor was himself partly responsible for this view when he declared, immediately after Mr. Baker's vote or failure to vote gave him control of the Council, that Mr. Baker was good material for the bench.

Mr. Baker's amazing statement that he had been promised his reward from the Republican party if he opposed the Governor, and his plain inference that the Democratic party was willing to reward him for supporting the Governor, looked like conclusive evidence that whichever way he voted he would get some sort of a job.

For that reason he did not vote, but his refusal to vote was just as effective as an affirmative vote.

It was entirely proper for the Bar Association to call this to the attention of the Governor. It was up to him to reject the protest. That was his right. But the Bar Association certainly had not alone the right, but the duty to protest if its objections were based on legitimate grounds.

We do not wish to imply that Mr. Baker's was an isolated case. During Governor Ely's administration he was obliged to make "trades" with certain members of the Council in order to get some of his appointees confirmed. "Trading" is an important angle of political strategy and probably practiced by most governors.

The whole episode is not a happy one. It is also most embarrassing to the new judge. He has the ability to show that his appointment was no mistake even though now under criticism.



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# COMPLAINS CURRENT IS STEPPED UP

## State Committee to Probe Specific Electric Case

Professor John J. Murray, chairman of Governor Curley's advisory committee on public utilities and chairman of the special legislative committee on sliding scales, last night had under investigation a specific complaint relative to charges of increased consumption of electric current through the alleged stepping up of the voltage.

### WOMAN COMPLAINS

The complaint reached Professor Murray at his office in the State House late yesterday. It came from a woman in a Boston suburb. The professor declined to disclose the woman's identity or the name of the company against which the complaint was made. He stated, however, that he at once started an investigation and that pending the outcome of what conclusions he reaches he will withhold all identities.

"Personally," Professor Murray said, "I am inclined to believe that there is not any general practice among the electric light companies of stepping up the voltage. That does not mean for one minute, however, that we of this committee do not stand ready and willing at all times to check and investigate any complaints that come before us. In fact, in the case of the woman who registered a complaint with us late today, I immediately contacted the electric light company concerned and asked for information I expect to receive shortly."

It was further stated at the committee's office that "under an increase in voltage a customer couldn't possibly expect more than a maximum of 5 per cent on the bill."

### Should Compare Bills

Professor Murray suggested that if any person has a suspicion he is being charged more than he should be, one way of helping to determine this is by a fair and even comparison of the electric light bills for a given corresponding period.

"If then a person feels that their bill is too much," Professor Murray said, "they can communicate directly with the State Department of Public Utilities or with us, and they can rest assured there will be prompt action."

Professor Murray said his committee is now in a position where it can have available a tester with which the voltage could be checked in any place from which a complaint comes.

Henry C. Attwill of Lynn, chairman of the State Public Utilities Commission, declared that while no specific complaints of stepping up voltage have been made to the commission, it, too, stands ready to investigate any complaints that are registered.

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## Best Bets Today

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14  
7:15—WBZ—Gov. Curley, Red Cross Roll Call.  
7:30—WNAC—Kate Smith.  
8:00—WEEI—Rudy Vallee's Varieties, Willie and Eugene Howard, Billy House, Colin Clive.  
9:00—WNAC—Casa Loma Orchestra, Walter O'Keefe and Deane Janis.  
9:30—WNAC—Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen, Albert Spalding, Barlow's Music.  
10:00—WEEI—Paul Whiteman's Music, Joe Cook.  
10:15—WAAB—Stanley Walker and John Lardner.  
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# STOOPNAGLE-BUDD PART FOR WHILE

## Curley in Red Cross Plea Tonight

By STEVE FITZGIBBON

Col. Stoopnagle and Budd will break up their partnership for a few months . . . The colonel will take a motor trip to Hollywood while Budd will organize and head his own band . . . Budd has been nursing a yen to sing and wave a baton for some time and when the opportunity presented itself he wasted little time . . . Budd, who celebrates his 30th birthday today, will be heard in his new role via CBS the 23d . . .

Gov. Curley takes to NBC waves at 7:15 this p. m. on behalf of the Red Cross rollicall . . . Jane Froman will return to talkieland for Warner Bros. . . . Which reminds us that Jane and James Melton are slated to do a radio version of their newest talkie, "Stars Over Broadway," for NBC-WBZ dialers the 22d . . . Tommy Dorsey's band has annexed a CBS series scheduled for next month . . . Joe Rines and Orchestra return to the Mayfair tonight . . . Their Springfield date, which was a percentage deal, was a huge success . . .

### GRACIE'S BROTHER KICKS

George Burns and Gracie Allen were all set to revive Gracie's "missing brother" gag that swept the airwaves some time ago . . . Only this time the "missing brother" was to be searching for Gracie . . .

However, Gracie's real brother, George Allen, a San Francisco oil executive, heard about the plan and wrote them a letter . . . He had received so much ribbing the last time, brother George stated, that he was only now beginning to resume a normal life, and really didn't feel equal to the ordeal again . . . So the idea was scrapped . . . Jacques Renard has a brother, Sam, that they might like to work on . . .

Frank Parker guest stars with

Ben Bernie the 19th . . . Ben will reciprocate at a later date . . . Terry La Franconi, youthful Italian tenor, who won much applause in opera on the West Coast, Mexico and Italy, signed by NBC . . . He makes his debut the 18th . . . Osgood Perkins will be brought to you by CBS-WNAC, Friday night at 8 . . . An NBC announcer, attached to the Chicago studios, is supposed to be announced as the winner of that Diction Award on NBC-WBZ this afternoon at 3:30 . . .

The doings at the Banshee Club's dinner to George McManus, creator of the "Maggie and Jiggs" comic strip, will be broadcast over NBC lanes Tuesday night at 10:30 . . . The Banshees' dinner will be for members only and will include an "amateur" show with such contestants as Bob Ripley, Jack Dempsey, Lowell Thomas, Billy Debeck,

## Maestro Album



No. 16—Eric Madriguera, whose rhythmic melodies are featured on NBC kilocycles from Manhattan.

## Banshees to Honor "Jiggs" McManus

Damon Runyon, Bugs Baer, Eddie Rickenbacker and Otto Soglow . . .

Bill Corum will be custodian of the gong, John B. Kennedy master of ceremonies and Al Donahue, the Boston lad, will provide the music . . . It should be a gala affair . . .

### "BOTTLE" ON BRIDAL JOB

Lee Sims and Ilomay Bailey guest-sing with Frank Parker the 23rd . . . Harry McNaughton, Phil Baker's "Bottle," takes himself a wife today . . . Billy House, the comedian, whom you will hear during Rudy Vallee's Varieties on WEEI at 8 this p. m., weighs 240 . . .

The Army-Notre Dame game will be on the networks Saturday afternoon . . . Leon Errol and Olivia DeHaviland will be Dick Powell's guests the 22nd . . . Incidentally, this is Dick's birthday, if you care to send him a card . . .

Norman Thomas will discuss "Can Socialism or Capitalism Bring About Recovery?" during the America's Town Meeting period on NBC-WBZ tonight at 9:30 . . . Mary Kelly, whose Silver Horseshoe Bar is one of the gayer spots, raves about the Robert L. Ripley-Ozzie Nelson broadcasts . . . Roy Ratcliffe warbling on WPRO, Providence . . . Mildred Bailey has signed for three guest broadcasts . . .

Clarence Hutchenrider, who plays clarinet for the Casa Loma band, almost had heart failure the other day when smoke poured into his bathroom while he was in the tub . . . He could hear fire engines and other noises that usually attend a fire and thought sure he was trapped . . . Clarence jumped into his clothes, without even taking time out to dry himself off, and rushed down stairs, only to discover that the fire was in an engraving plant next door . . .

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### GRANT IN CONFERENCE

Under suspension of the rules, the council approved several other nominations sent in by the Governor yesterday, including his secretary, Richard D. Grant, to the public utilities commission, Edmond J. Hoy to succeed Grant as the Governor's private secretary, Charles M. Stiller as secretary of the state board of motor vehicle appeals, Harold L. Armstrong, Gloucester, as clerk of the Eastern Essex district court, Bernard J. Sheridan, Somerville, to be state superintendent of marine fisheries, and George V. Higgin of Randolph as associate medical examiner of the Third Norfolk district.

Atty. Charles E. Flynn of Saugus was appointed as trial justice of the Saugus court. He is a former Essex county commander of the American Legion, and was counsel for Louis Berrett and Clement Molway in the Lynn Paramount murder case.

No appointment was made to succeed William W. Saxe, Boston advertising man, who resigned yesterday as a member of the Boston Finance Commission. Saxe, the governor said, resigned to devote his full time to his private business. He was appointed to the commission last August to succeed Judge Jacob Kaplan.

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## Letters to . . the Editor

It DOES NOT COVER ALL SINS

To the Editor of the Transcript:

Far be it from me to cross swords with such a master of casuistry as his excellency, Governor Curley; and yet as a matter of vital public interest may I call attention to his misapplication of the Biblical passages which he quoted in his rebuke of Dr. Cridley. They were as follows: "For I was hungry, and you gave me to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave me to drink; I was a stranger, and you took me in; naked, and you covered me; sick, and you visited me; I was in prison, and you came to me." In these words the divine benediction is pronounced on those who give of their own substance, and service, and sympathy, to the needy. To this benediction all men of all faiths respond, "Amen." To give of one's own goods, and thought, and strength, for the relief of the unfortunate is God-like; but what judgment shall be pronounced on men who take the goods of others to carry on their benevolences? Reports indicate that John Dillinger, "Dutch Schultz," Al Capone, like some others still prominently before the public, did rather an extensive "charity" work, which included not only "visiting in prison," but also helping out of prison, all financed out of the goods taken by fraud or violence from others; and that there were many sad hearts when that grim churl, Justice, terminated their activities. Was Justice in error? Should their beneficences have covered their crimes?

May I suggest that his excellency study the illuminating essay by Judge O'Hagan on "Generosity and Justice."

HUGH R. MAGILL, M.D.

Malden, Nov. 13.



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## Harvard Crimson Sees Governorship Dragged to a Low Repute by Curley

In an editorial entitled "Massachusetts, c'est moi" the Harvard Crimson, undergraduate daily, today styled Governor Curley as "The man who has dragged the governorship of Massachusetts down to a level where almost no one has confidence in, or respect for, it."

Criticizing the governor for his role in the appointment of J. Arthur Baker as a judge of the Superior Court, the Crimson termed the move "about as sincere as Mussolini's recent self-appointment as the Abraham Lincoln of the dark continent."

The editorial reads as follows:  
"With the autocrat's usual contempt for criticism, Governor Curley has forced through the appointment of Arthur Baker as judge of the Massachusetts Superior Court. Even a hardy political horse-trader like President Roosevelt should take off his hat to his Boston understudy who has exchanged with a member of his own executive council one of the highest judicial posts in the Commonwealth in return for the failure to vote on an important appointment."

"In wording their letter of protest against the Baker appointment the members of the Bar Association expressed a hope which was too optimistic and a politeness and respect which His Excellency hardly deserves. Black may be white, and Mr. Baker may be Galahad fresh from the table round, as the Bar tactfully suggested, but public opinion has been quite definitely on the other side. One would, of course, like to think that the appointment is a case of "post hoc sed non propter hoc," and this thesis is just about as sincere as Mussolini's recent self-appointment as the Abraham Lincoln of the dark continent."

"No one will be surprised at the governor's blustering indictment of the Bar Association's efforts. The motives of most people are not always as clear as those of Mr. Curley himself, but it appears obvious that the Bar saw a glaring injustice in the Baker appointment and voiced its unqualified disapproval as under our form of government all citizens have a right to do. The association was certainly not dictating an appointment, merely trying to prevent a poor one."

"All the quotations from Rufus Choate the Bar Association can summon up will have little enough effect upon the man holding the whip in the State House. To say that such a rank political trick endangers public confidence in the courts is too obvious a truth to emphasize. But, after all, what influence can such a trivial consideration have upon the Napoleonic mind of Mr. Curley? It is almost comical to hope that the integrity of the judiciary will mean anything to the man who dragged the governorship of Massachusetts down to a level where almost no one has confidence in, or respect for, it."

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## Would Eliminate Turnpike Death Trap

Declaring that the southwest cut-off of the Worcester Turnpike was fast acquiring the reputation of being a death trap because of the large number of automobile accidents there, Maurice O'Toole, a member of the Worcester City Council, requested Governor Curley today to take immediate steps to widen the highway.

The governor consulted with William F. Callahan, State commissioner of public works, who estimated that it would cost \$1,500,000 to widen the road. The governor assured Councilman O'Toole that work would be begun next spring to reconstruct the cut-off so that it would be a safer highway.

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## Thirty Losing Jobs / Appeal to Governor

Thirty men who have been employed on public works projects in Dedham and West Roxbury visited Governor Curley's home in the Jamaica way today to protest that they had been laid off.

The governor, after communicating with William F. Callahan, State commissioner of public works, said that the sidewalk projects on which the men were employed had been completed and no further work was available.

The governor pointed out that preference in such employment is given to residents of the communities in which the work is being done. He expressed the belief that this rule had been generally complied with, but that it made it difficult to obtain jobs for unemployed of Boston.

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## Curley for Plan to Cut Interest

Hearty approval of President Roosevelt's suggestion that banks reduce their interest rates was expressed today by Governor Curley.

The governor pointed out that the banks had large deposits of State and city funds, which bear no interest and that the amount of money available for financing legitimate enterprises was greater than at any time in the last five years.

He expressed the opinion that if interest rates were lowered it would be beneficial not only to business but also to the banks.

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## Curley Forecasts Major Shakeup

Says Democrats as Well as Republicans in Peril — To Pick DeWolfe Successor Soon

Governor Curley said he was unprepared today to announce whom he would appoint as State Commissioner of Labor and Industries to succeed DeWitt C. DeWolfe, who died yesterday.

The governor said he expected to submit the nomination of a new commissioner to the Executive Council next Wednesday.

When asked whether there would be many changes among the heads of State departments whose terms expire next month, the governor indicated that there would be. There will be approximately twenty important positions in the State service to be filled in December.

The governor was asked whether Democrats holding these offices would be retained if their services had been satisfactory, and he replied, "Their heads will be in as much peril as the Republicans."



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Gov. Curley predicted today that President Roosevelt will sweep the country next fall and be elected by an even larger margin than he was in 1932. The Governor said that with the backing which the new deal has in the West, and with business improving, he thinks the political odds will be even within three months; that in six months the Democrats will have a 25 per cent. advantage even in Massachusetts, and that it looks like a sweep for the fall of 1936. "I don't see how you can figure it any other way," he added.

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**CURLEY AT PAINE EXHIBIT**



Gov. Curley inspecting the Persian fine arts exhibit at Paine's. The photograph shows A. Khan Rahimi, left, collector of the exhibit, explaining the merits of a Bezhad miniature to the Governor.

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Following a conference with Public Works Commissioner Callahan this afternoon, Gov. Curley assured Maurice F. O'Toole, representing the Worcester city government, that plans will be drawn immediately for the beginning of widening and straightening the southwest cut-off, which has become known as a death trap highway. Commissioner Callahan estimated the cost at \$1,500,000. At the same time Representative Anthony R. Doyle and Senator John S.

Sullivan, both of Worcester, filed legislative bills to require the highway to be not less than 40 feet wide.

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**COUNCILLORS FETE  
BAKER AT LUNCHEON**

The elevation of Joshua Arthur Baker of Pittsfield to the bench of the superior court was celebrated yesterday afternoon by him and his associates in the executive council at a luncheon at the Parker House presided over by Lt.-Gov. Joseph L. Hurley.

Among the guests were former Councilor Edmond Côté of Fall River, now chairman of the Fall River finance commission, and Morton H. Burdick of Easthampton, the Democrat appointed by Gov. Curley to succeed Baker in the council.

Others present were Councilors Daniel H. Coakley of Boston, Joseph B. Grossman of Quincy, James J. Brennan of Somerville, William G. Hennessey of Lynn and Philip J. Russell of Fall River.

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**PASTOR DEFENDS  
CRITIC OF CURLEY**

**Protests Against "Spirit of  
Mediaeval Tyranny"**

The Rev. Grady D. Feagan, minister of the First Baptist Church of Arlington, last night protested against the "spirit of mediaeval tyranny" of Gov. Curley in characterizing the Rev. Dr. Howard J. Chidley of Winchester as a "knave" merely because he protested against the inclusion of political propaganda in the Governor's Armistice day proclamation.

Mr. Feagan said he refused to read the full text of the proclamation to his congregation last Sunday because of its character. A statement released by him last night follows:

"In view of the scathing attack of Gov. Curley upon the Rev. Dr. Howard Chidley for his protest against a political use of the Governor's Armistice day proclamation, I feel it proper that I should state my own reaction to this proclamation.

"On the very first reading of it in my study, without knowing the reaction of any other man, I determined that I could not conscientiously read it in full. Consequently, in my pulpit last Sunday morning I deliberately omitted the body of the proclamation which praised the present leadership as the embodiment of the faith of the leaders who have gone before, which declared for armaments 'till every nation in the world lays aside its guns,' and which lauded soldiery as the sole reason for our national preservation. At the time, I frankly told my congregation why I was making the omission.

"I refuse to propagandize my people for the New Deal under the pretense of an Armistice day proclama-



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## CAPE RESIDENTS FELICITATE BAKER

(Special to the Traveler)  
BUZZARDS BAY, Nov. 14—Upper Cape citizens are busy extending their felicitations to J. Arthur Baker, former member of the Governor's council, appointed by the Governor to the superior court bench. Baker is the son of the late Joshua Baker, long-time resident of the Puritan road section of Buzzards Bay and is a native of Cape Cod. He makes frequent visits to his old home, and townspeople are watching his career with deep interest.

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## Gov. Curley Just Seven Years Older Than the Average American Governor

[Special Dispatch to The Herald]  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 14—Massachusetts's Governor, James M. Curley, is just about seven years older than the average American Governor, but like the great majority of the present crop of chief executives is classified as a Democrat and was born in the state whose government he now heads.

In the first of a series of bulletins on incumbent governors of the United States being prepared for the governors' conference by the council of state governments under the direction of Henry W. Toll, executive director of the council, a composite picture of an American Governor is painted and his age placed at 54 years. Gov. Curley was born Nov. 20, 1874, which would make him 61 very soon and leaves

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## ROGERS GROUP TO HOLD BALL

The Will Rogers memorial committee decided yesterday to have a grand ball in the Boston Garden either before or soon after Thanksgiving, with theatrical people providing entertainment. This was announced after a meeting in the office of the chairman, P. A. O'Connell.

Allan Forbes, president of the State Street Trust Company and head of the bankers' group, was appointed treasurer of the committee. Joseph A. Tomasello, chairman of the speakers committee, announced that Gov. Curley had provided office space for the committee in the State House, and that future meetings would be held there.

A secretary will be on duty at the new office throughout the day to answer questions and attend to routine matters. The acceptance of chairmanship of the donations committee by Frank Dorr was announced.

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## BAKER ASCENDS BENCH MONDAY

Commission to Be Read in  
Suffolk Court at  
10 A. M.

Judge J. Arthur Baker will take his place on the superior court bench Monday morning.

The newly appointed superior court justice, against whose appointment by Gov. Curley the Boston Bar Association took a definite stand, will hear his commission read at 10 A. M. Monday in the first jury waived session of the Suffolk court.

Following a reception of friends and well-wishers in a rear room, Judge Baker will ascend the bench in room 324 to preside over a jury waived civil session of the court.

Judge Baker vigorously denied that he had made a deal with Gov. Curley by which he received his appointment to superior court bench.

"I made no deal with Gov. Curley," he said. "I never asked him to appoint me as a judge or to any other position. Now that I am appointed to the bench, I'm going to make good. A lot of mean and untruthful things have been said about me during the past few weeks because I dared to approve of Gov. Curley's appointments, but nobody has questioned my honesty or my integrity as a member of the bar. I'm going to be a humane judge and prove that the Governor made no mistake in naming me."

Speaking of his approval of nominations by the Governor while he was a member of the executive council, Judge Baker said: "The only question I was concerned with was, 'Is the man qualified for the position to which the Governor named him?'"

"Suppose I had obeyed the crack of the party whip, wielded by self-constituted party leaders, and had blocked the Governor at every turn. There would have been chaos in the executive department and every branch of the state government would have suffered."

"Politics, petty partisan politics, is at the bottom of all the hullabaloo that has been raised over my course in the council."

Judge Baker said he came to admire the Governor "because of his ability and what I believe to be a real desire on his part to give the state good government."



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## Gloucester Court Clerk Is Sworn in



Harold L. Armstrong, who was sworn in by Gov. Curley today as clerk of the Gloucester district court.

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## AXE MAY FALL ON DEMOCRATS

The official heads of Democrats in the state service are just as much in peril as those of Republicans, even though they have been doing what they believe is satisfactory work, Gov. Curley said today in discussing with the press the probability of far-reaching changes in the heads of the state departments Dec. 1, when the terms of many expire.

The Governor was asked: "Would you say that a Democrat who is doing a good job will be kept?"

He replied: "No. I think their heads are just as much imperiled as Republicans."

This statement of the governor was taken at the State House to mean that such Democrats as George J. Cronin, state purchasing agent; James M. Hurley, civil service commissioner; Samuel A. York, commissioner of conservation, and others may be replaced.

The Governor said that he will probably appoint a commissioner of labor and industries next Wednesday to succeed the late De Witt C. De Wolf, but he has not decided who will get the place. He said, "I think all the labor unions have candidates."

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## Post Hoc Sed Non Propter Hoc

"After this but not because of it."

The Boston Bar Association admits the possibility that Governor's Councillor Arthur Baker, who had been of important assistance to Gov. Curley, may have been appointed superior court judge "after this but not because of it."

"But," asks the bar association of the Governor, "as one who is well versed in the practicalities of life, does your excellency believe that the people at large can be convinced of that fact?"

Then the association quotes what Rufus Choate said, that a judge must possess the perfect confidence of the community.

"To be honest," said Choate, "to be no respecter of persons, is not yet enough. He must be believed such."

Did Gov. Curley name Councillor Baker judge because of favors done by Baker as a member of the council? Who but Gov. Curley or Judge Baker can answer that question?

But the bar association had a right to ask the question, whatever Gov. Curley may say about "unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence." The bar association at the outset of its request to the Governor to withdraw the Baker appointment emphatically restated the Governor's authority in such matters, but it called attention to a duty, "inherent in any democratic form of government," for him to carefully consider the viewpoint of citizens authorized to speak for any considerable body of their fellows.

Gov. Curley's answer was to reject the bar association's proposal and to rush through the confirmation of Baker.

And who can answer the bar association's implication except Gov. Curley and Judge Baker? Where is there any direct evidence that the appointment was a political reward, promised in advance of any act by the councillor?

These two men and these two men alone, it appears to us, can give the exact facts. They deny the implications.

It is Judge Baker's bad fortune, at least, that his appointment to the bench should come after his service to the Governor even if not because of it. The coincidence of the two facts justified any decent inquiry of the Governor, whether by the bar association or from any other group of citizens



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## THE NEWS OBSERVES

The President of the Newton Chamber of Commerce, Ruppert Thompson, and Mr Canavan, publisher of the Newton Transcript, called at the News office this week to obtain information about the Arlington Exposition conducted recently by the News. Informed of the success of this exposition Newton plans to conduct a similar event in the near future.

Governor Curley apparently did not relish the criticism in his Armistice Day proclamation by Dr Chidley of Winchester. In replying to Dr Chidley the Governor implies that the clergyman was hiding behind the drape of a religious organization. It seems to us that there was not much hiding done and knowing Dr Chidley as we do we believe he has the courage of his convictions and is not afraid to state them when necessary.

The reluctance with which some people part with a dollar for welfare work, community chests etc. astonishing. Most of them have money for everything else but community spirit when it costs a dollar is difficult for them to understand.

Did one of our prominent Democrats have a run-in with a school committee man and park commissioner in Medford the morning after the Medford elections, last week? But, after all, politics were anything but calm in that city last week if our memory serves us right

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## M. I. T. Author Of Snob Fame Urges Smith

### House Cleaning Due Dec. 1st With Expiration of Some 20 State Officials

#### MORAN CONSIDERED? (Special to The Sun)

State House, Boston, Nov. 15—It was being rumored here today that Gov. James M. Curley was considering James G. Moran of Mansfield, president of the state senate, for the post of state commissioner of labor and industries. It is understood Mr. Moran's favorable labor record is being taken into consideration.

Cambridge, Nov. 15.—(P)—Professor Robert E. Rogers, of 'Marry the boss's daughter' fame eliminated himself definitely today as the next Massachusetts commissioner of education.

A professor of English at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he was mentioned prominently as Gov. James M. Curley's choice to succeed Dr. Payson Smith, whose term expires Dec. 1. Rogers attracted national attention a few years ago when he advised members of a graduating class at "Tech", that when they went out and obtained jobs they should 'marry the boss's daughter' in order to get ahead.

The professor, who is a newspaper columnist by avocation, declared:

"I have received no intimation from the governor that I was being considered for the post. I have received no offer. I do not expect to receive one. For many reasons it would be impossible for me to accept such an offer. I have no desire for a political position.

Rogers urged the reappointment of Smith, who drew the fire of patriotic organizations several months ago when he opposed vigorously the adoption of the present law requiring public school teachers to take oaths of allegiance to the state and federal constitutions.

## 20 Posts to Fill On December 1

Boston, Nov. 15 (P)—There may be some house cleaning on Beacon Hill Dec. 1 with the expiration of the terms of some 20 state officials.

Gov. James M. Curley intimated as much last night, but declined smilingly to say who might be affected.

There were published reports that Robert E. Rogers, professor of English at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, might succeed Dr Payson T. Smith as state commissioner of education. The reports, however, could not be confirmed.

Dr. Smith is one of the department heads whose term expires the first of next month, and just last night 300 Massachusetts superintendents of schools, meeting in convention here, adopted a resolution urging his reappointment.

A successor to Dewitt Clinton DeWolf, state commissioner of labor and industries, who died Wednesday at his home in Chester, would be nominated at next week's council meeting, the governor said. He added that he was not ready to announce the nominee.

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## PROF. ROGERS DENIES RUMOR

BOSTON, Nov. 15.—(UP)—Prof. Robert E. Rogers of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, mentioned as a possible appointee as State education commissioner, wants Commissioner Payson Smith to retain the office.

Rogers also suggested Patrick T. Campbell, Boston school superintendent, as a possible appointee.

As to his own intentions, Rogers said: "I have received no intimation from the governor that I was being considered for the post. I have received no offer. I do not expect to receive one. For many reasons it would be impossible for me to accept such an offer. I have no desire for a political situation."

Smith's reappointment also was endorsed to-day by the New England Association of School Superintendents. News that Prof. Rogers was not interested in the commissioner-ship was greeted with applause.

Rogers supported Curley in the 1934 election.



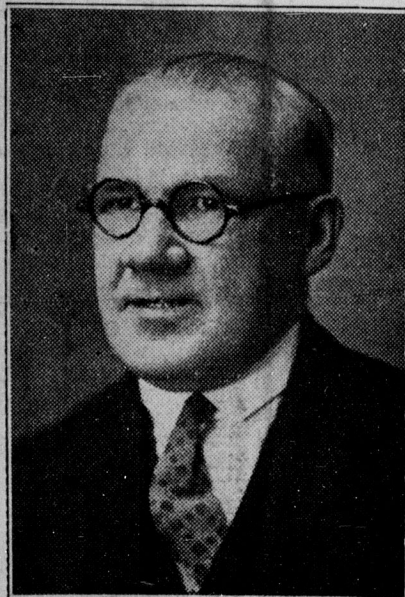
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## GEORGE J. MURRAY TO BE CANDIDATE FOR STATE SENATE

Closely following Senator Charles T. Cavanagh's appointment to the clerkship of the Third District Court of Middlesex, comes the announcement of the candidacy of George J. Murray of 8 Wiley rd for Senator from the Second Middlesex Senatorial District either in



GEORGE J. MURRAY

the event of a special election, or in the September primaries next year should Senator Cavanagh elect to fill out the remainder of his term in the Legislature aside from his duties in the office just assumed. This, Senator Cavanagh has publicly announced he will do.

Mr. Murray has long been identified with Democratic policies and was the founder of the Democratic movement in Belmont as well as the Belmont Democratic Club of which he was president for two terms.

Mr. Murray has been a resident of the town for eighteen years but is a native of Boston where he was for many years the chairman of the annual Paul Revere Celebration Committee by appointment of Governor James M. Curley when he was Mayor of Boston.

For more than thirty-five years he has held an important executive post with a large business organization. Mr. Murray favors a rotating plan for Senatorial representation in this district and feels that it should now return to Belmont.

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Ward Snow and his committee are to be congratulated on the excellent dinner and entertainment they provided for the Annual Armistice Stag.

Everyone, including the contestants, were taken off their feet at the three rounds of knock down and drag out boxing contest put on by the Fly-weight Champion of the Post. It was a "Ducky" exhibition and will go down in the annals of the Post as the "Battle of the short count".

Our Commander offered to sing the "Wearing of the Green" but he would not render "How am I doing?".

At the Armistice Parade in Waltham the Post turned out in full strength and received much favorable comment along the line of march. Going by the Reviewing Stand the delegation was greeted by Governor Curley and State Department Commander, John Walsh. As Aide to the Governor was one of our own comrades, Captain Oscar Bonin, who is on the Governor's Military Staff.

On Friday night, November 15, the Squadron of the Sons of the American Legion will meet at the Town Hall at 7.30. This will be a joint meeting with the Boy Scout Troop.

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## CLERK OF COURT CAVANAGH RETAINS SEAT IN SENATE

State Senator Charles T. Cavanagh of Cambridge announced Monday after he had taken the oath of office as clerk of the Third District Court in East Cambridge, that he will continue his duties as State senator and that he will hold both positions upon the request of Governor James M. Curley.

By this decision Senator Cavanagh will avoid the necessity of a special election and will avert the possibility of a loss by the Democrats of a seat in the Senate, the division of which is twenty-one Republicans and nineteen Democrats.

Clerk Cavanagh was sworn in as clerk by Judge Arthur P. Stone, presiding justice of the court, with Associate Judges Edward A. Counihan and Louis L. Green on the bench.

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—Miss Cecelia Donahue, drum major for South End Post No. 105, American Legion, received a bouquet of flowers from Governor Curley at the Armistice day parade in Boston. She is also drum major and twirler of the Belmont High School band and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Donahue of 255 Orchard st.



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## Up With The Times

By L. R. H.

**DISGRACEFUL** — Disregarding the protest of the great majority of the members of the Bar Association of Boston, Democrats and Republicans included, the Governor's hand-picked Council voted on Wednesday to confirm his appointment of Republican Councillor J. Arthur Baker as a Judge of the Superior Court. Baker's Democratic opponent in the last election, Morton H. Burdick of Easthampton, was named and confirmed as his successor.

Thus for the second time this year Governor Curley has thumbed his nose at the voters of the state. The first repudiation of "the will of the people" was the naming of Councillor Cote as chairman of the Fall River Finance Commission and the appointment of his defeated Democratic opponent in the Council. The Governor now owns the Executive Council by the purchase-by-patronage route, thus having every department of the state government at his mercy.

Well may the decent people of this state now cry out in their disgust and despair—"GOD SAVE THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS!"—for no other power can.

L. — R. — H.

In case the Roosevelt Administration does select a tree as the official emblem of the New Deal, as is reported, we respectfully suggest the slippery elm.—West Plains, Mo., Journal.

L. — R. — H.

**LEGISLATIVE COSTS** — The following editorial from the Waterbury, Conn., Press gives irrefutable proof of the need of biennial sessions of the Massachusetts Legislature and other reforms which will cut down the cost of government in this state:

Some discussion has been in progress over the costs of the General Assembly. The total was found to be close to \$500,000. The number of days sitting was found to be eighty-two and from that it was presented that the cost was \$6,000 or more a day.

Stated by itself it looks large. Considered beside legislative expenditures in other states it is small. The individual salary of \$300 a session, fixed by the constitution, is trivial and at the same time sound, for a state as well fixed as Connecticut. It prevents candidates solely for salaries

The total is trivial beside the rates paid by some of our neighbors. Massachusetts, for instance, allows \$2,000 "a year," while Connecticut fixes the limit for a term of two years. What the Bay State lawmaker gets for mileage, or other expenditure, is not at hand. In any event, the total legislative costs are far in excess of that charged in this state.

The really wasteful allowance in Connecticut is for mileage at the rate of ten cents a mile. Those who travel by rail make a clean profit of six and four-tenths cents a mile. Supposing it costs four cents a mile to run a car, not, of course, allowing for depreciation, then the profit is six cents—call it five—on every mile traveled. That is unwarranted.

Yet it is only in this mileage charge that expenditures for legislation are high in this state. In all other directions the state law-making costs are much less than the average of all the states.

L. — R. — H.

**CONGRATULATIONS**—to those who are making the Middletown (Conn.) Press a splendid, modern newspaper as it celebrates its "Golden Jubilee of Service to the Public." The thirty-page special anniversary edition of the Press of October 29 proves without question that it is living up to its slogan, "The Home Paper of the Southern Connecticut Valley."

**SOUND LOGIC**—Frank E. Phillips, executive secretary of the New England Daily Newspaper Association, writes me about an "idea" that he says he has long "cuddled" and now sees actually adopted:

I have asked many bankers over a long period of years, extending back into those days when more retailers than now could borrow more money than now to buy merchandise, why it would not be good business and sound banking to insist that an adequate amount of newspaper space be invested in to make more nearly certain that the goods would move and the loan be repaid. I have consistently had the banker's "bank" eye focused on me—that devastating eye which focuses automatically upon most borrowers and all who would make banking suggestions.

I still cuddle the idea that the idea is sound. Incidentally—it has been done.

And so it is particularly interesting to learn that Palmer House, Chicago, has leased a store to an apparel shop for ten years at a given minimum plus a percentage of annual gross volume, the lease stipulating that the lessee must spend annually a certain per-

centage of its gross in newspaper advertising. The Palmer House real estate office declares that all its leases of store space hereafter will contain such provision. And one commentator on the plan expects the plan will be generally adopted in the Chicago Loop.

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Consistent advertising is the merchant's pledge of quality; it is visible proof that he has faith enough in his goods to back them with his name.

L. — R. — H.

**KNOW-NOTHINGS** — It doesn't take brains to push the throttle of your car to the floorboard.

It doesn't take cleverness to weave in and out of traffic at sixty miles an hour to the consternation of the slower moving highway-users.

It doesn't take any intellectual capacity to hang onto the steering wheel, give her the gun, and see if you can make the speedometer touch ninety-odd.

In other words, you don't have to know anything to drive fast.

Drivers who regard streets and highways as the Indianapolis bowl, might be divided into two classes: First, those who are weary of living and don't mind if they take innocent parties along with them into eternity. Second, those who are so stupid as to not realize that several thousand pounds of metal moving at terrific speeds is as lethal a weapon as a machine-gun—both for the occupant and for anyone else who happens to be in the locality.

Speed—and speed alone—is responsible for the great majority of automobile accidents. All other causes pale into insignificance beside it. As even the most mentally deficient driver should be able to realize, an accident occurring at sixty miles per hour is almost invariably more serious than one occurring at 20.

The roads of America are strewn with corpses because a relatively small number of drivers are doing their best to emulate Malcolm Campbell.



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## Prof. Rogers Says His Appointment "Unlikely"

BOSTON, Nov. 15—(INS)—"Extremely unlikely," was the manner in which Professor Robert E. Rogers, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, today described a report that Governor James M. Curley planned to appoint him Commissioner of Education. The report was that Prof. Rogers would succeed Payson Smith whose term expires December 1.

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## SIX GOVERNORS TO JOIN CONFERENCE

Executives to Attend New England Council Sessions at Boston Next Thursday.

BOSTON, Nov. 15.—Six governors, one from each of the six New England states, will join here next Thursday in conferences devoted to laying plans for promoting better business in New England in the years to come. They will be leaders and key speakers at the opening session of the 10th anniversary New England conference, to be held under auspices of the New England Council Thursday and Friday of next week.

Previous to the opening session of the conference, Thursday afternoon, the governors will join in an executive session with the New England Council, the New England regional planning commission, and the chairmen of the several state planning

boards in New England. At noon on Thursday they will be the guests of the New England Council at a luncheon to be attended also by the planning officials and by New England members of the U. S. senate and house of representatives.

President Winthrop L. Carter of the New England Council will speak at the opening conference session, and will introduce the governors.

Thursday evening each governor will participate in his respective state dinner meeting to be attended by all those attending the conference from each of the states. Election of directors of the New England Council for the ensuing year will be the chief item on the business program of each state meeting.

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## CURLEY INTIMATES OFFICIAL CHANGES

Holders of Plums Seen Slated for Dismissal When Terms Expire December 1.

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## CURLEY ASKS WIDENING OF MASS. 'DEATH PIKE'

BOSTON, Nov. 14.—(AP) Immediate widening of the southwest cut-off of the Worcester turnpike was requested today of Governor James M. Curley by Maurice O'Toole, representing the city of Worcester. Twenty-one lives have been taken by automobile accidents on the 15-mile section of highway since it was opened several years ago.

The governor and William F. Callahan, commissioner of public works, assured O'Toole reconstruction of the cut-off, which has become known as the "Death Pike" would begin next spring. The cost was estimated at \$1,500,000.

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"Girl Injures Two and Speeds On." All the wild women didn't vanish with prohibition.

Gov. Curley has at least one admirable quality: He always balances his political budget.

It may be a matter of taste, as ice cream dealers of America say in reporting their best seller, but it also reveals the potency of a short, easily remembered phrase: "I'll take vanilla."

Next to being in 50-yard-line seats at Manchester, N. H., to-morrow, when Red and Black and Little Green begin to go places, is a sunny spot in front of the Enterprise, watching the play-by-play board.



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## Bowker and Grant in Exchange of Epithets as Latter Quits Post

(Special to The Brookline Citizen)

"Last spring I called Bowker 'Filbustering Phil,' but I realize now that he's just a bust, and his political career busted," was Richard D. Grant's parting shot at Brookline's Representative Philip G. Bowker before taking up his new job as head of the state public utilities department, to which he was recently appointed while serving as Governor Curley's secretary.

"Bowker is sure to be defeated if he runs for the state senate, as he probably intends," said Grant in his special statement to The Citizen. "He played both ends against the middle and lost. He played the Brookline village crowd

and got into the House in spite of the so-called society faction; then he tried to win over the old guard by knocking Curley and lost the village support. I always thought Phil was clever, but I don't see now how he can get anywhere politically."

When asked what he thought of these remarks, Representative Bowker replied "It is evident that Richard knows as little about local politics as he does about state affairs."

"In regard to this nicknaming fancy of Grant's, it may be remembered that I once referred to him as a glorified train announcer and on a recent occasion gave him the title of 'Dictaphone Dick!' Billy McSweeney, the newly-elected senator from Essex County, told me only Wednesday that his label for Grant was 'All-American Radio Clown.'

"Regardless of all this, I suppose we shall be obliged to address him in future as 'Commissioner Grant,' although his knowledge of public utilities is a minus quantity. The governor has a penchant for placing unqualified men in high official positions."



Philip G. Bowker

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### Councilor Brooks Hits Curley's Rule As 'High-Handed Usurpation of Power'

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Nov. 15.—Councilor Frank A. Brooks of Watertown has come forward with a statement in protest of what he terms the "high-handed methods employed by our present governor to gain control of the governor's council, and to thus carry out his will, regardless of the merit of appointments made." He appeals to fair-minded democrats, saying he believes "thousands of them must be nauseated and disgusted by the methods employed by their self-styled leader," adding that this is "of vital interest to every citizen of the commonwealth."

Councillor Brooks has been a consistent opponent of Gov. Curley's efforts to dominate the council and force through objectionable appointments. He also has vigorously fought, throughout this year, the growing practice of suspending rules to bring about immediate confirmation of appointees, contending the denial of a week's lay-over of appointments prohibits councilors from investigating the recipients of State berths, as well as denying citizens a right to make protests. In his statement he points out that none of these appointments is an emergency appointment and could well lay over the usual week and he believes every right-minded citizen, regardless of political faith, "will agree with me in condemning such methods as un-American and disgraceful."



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Cambridge, Mass.**

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**CAVANAGH ASSUMES  
HIS NEW POSITION**

Senator Charles T. Cavanagh, of Milton street, appointed by Governor Curley and confirmed last week as

clerk of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex, took over his new duties Tuesday morning.

A brief ceremony was held in the courtroom of Judge Arthur P. Stone, presiding justice of the court, with Judges Stone, Edward A. Counihan, and Louis L. Green on the bench. Judge Stone read the new clerk's commission and welcomed him to the court.

Seated within the bar enclosure were many relatives and friends of Mr. Cavanagh, including Attorney General Paul A. Dever. The new clerk's office was banked with floral tributes.

Mr. Cavanagh replaces clerk William A. Forbes, 60, whose term expired last month. Mr. Forbes has been at the court for 38 years, 25 as clerk of the court and eight as an assistant clerk.

Clerk Cavanagh said he will finish his term in the senate, which expires January 1, 1937, at the request of Governor Curley.

The position as clerk carries a salary of \$4,100 plus fees. The senate salary is \$2,000.

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**SPOKE AT ARMISTICE  
DAY FLAG RAISING**

Mrs. Elizabeth McNamara, of Up-land road, past president, and State President Mrs. Emily Squires, of Arlington, formerly of this city, were among the speakers at the Armistice day flag raising and patriotic exercises held on the steps of the state house Monday. Both were presented with bouquets of yellow chrysanthemums by Governor Curley. Mrs. Mary Pickard of this city, was among the gold star mothers who attended the exercises.

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**HURLEY EXPECTED TO  
RUN FOR HIGH OFFICE**

It is generally believed that State Treasurer Charles F. Hurley intend to run for higher office, since he can not serve another term in the post he now holds. He was a candidate for governor in the preprimary convention last year, and will doubtless try for that nomination next year if Governor Curley runs for the senate, but if the latter is a candidate for reelection Mr. Hurley will be a candidate for the senate. It is commonly said that the state treasurer has a strong organization behind him.

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**AROUND THE TOWN**

**By Ralph J. Granara**

The Squire of Chestnut Hill, Jack Sharkey, former world's heavy-weight champion will launch his attempted comeback Friday night, November 22, at the Boston Garden. His opponent will be that dark trial horse, Unknown Winston. Rip Valenti is the promoter and if there is any shekels to be made Rip is well entitled to them as he is the only one who has kept the fight game alive here in Boston. Just what the Squire will do is hard to say. But you can rest assured that it will be a fight. Winston is no tip over and it will be a question as to whether or not the Squire has been able to get in shape in a few weeks after a two year lay off. Personally I don't believe he can. And that in itself will help to make one of the biggest gates of the year. Everyone will take in this one with the hope of seeing Winston pick one out of the sky and

park it on the Squire's none too strong chin. Other than that I hope that Rip Valenti, who has been taking it on the chin for quite some time, goes over the top.

City Councilor-Elect JAMES J. MELLEEN back after a few days of much needed rest. And right on the job working day and night to take care of the needs of the district in the future. Jim's friends will honor him after he takes office January 1st, 1936.

Jack O'Brien of the SPOTLIGHT CAFE on Hanover Street informs this writer that he has secured a license for dancing at his spot of joy and hilarity. So if you have any thought of tripping the light fantastic pay Jack's spot a visit.

John McAuliffe, on the go at the court house and what a job he is doing. Always willing to help anyone from the district who comes to his office. This is the type of service that is always rewarded by the people at election time.

Joe Thompson back working hard at the insurance business. After a short vacation.

Edmond Hoyer, former Charlestown boy who went to school here in the district, has just been appointed to Dick Grant's job as personal secretary to the Governor. Yes, it certainly looks like the young fellows in politics are coming into their own.



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## ON BEACON HILL

By ARTHUR W. WOODMAN, *Transcript Staff Correspondent*

### **Grant Confirmed For Utilities Commission—**

Richard D. Grant, private secretary to Governor James M. Curley, was confirmed this week as a member of the Public Utilities Commission.

The council, divided along political lines, voted six to three for confirmation.

Councillor Morton H. Burdick of Easthampton cast his first council vote in behalf of the Grant appointment.

Councillors Joseph B. Grossman, Winfield A. Schuster and Frank A. Brooks opposed his nomination.

They were overridden by Councilors William G. Hennessy of Lynn, James J. Brennan of Somerville, Philip J. Russell of Fall River, Daniel H. Coakley of Boston, Councillor Burdick and Lt. Gov. Joseph L. Hurley.

### **Grossman Endorses Johnson For Lieutenant-Governor—**

Declaring his candidate for nomination as lieutenant-governor on the Republican ticket is Associate Justice Kenneth Johnson of Milton, Councillor Joseph B. Grossman of Quincy this week removed himself from the field.

"My candidate for lieutenant-governor is Associate Justice Kenneth Johnson of Milton," he said. "I will seek re-election as a councillor and I hope to serve under a Republican governor."

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## Protests Methods Used By Governor



COUNCILLOR F. A. BROOKS

## REBELS OVER CURLEY RULE OF COUNCIL

**'High Handed Usurpation  
Of Power,' Assailed by  
Frank A. Brooks**

BOSTON, Nov. 15—Councillor Frank A. Brooks of Watertown, one of the three surviving Republicans in the executive council and former chairman of the Massachusetts Parole board, last night protested bitterly against the methods employed by Gov. Curley in seizing control of the council and in jamming through appointments to the state service without allowing the council adequate opportunity to investigate the qualifications of the nominees.

In all his years of contact with politics, Brooks said, he never had "seen such high-handed usurpation of power and such unconcern as to the wishes of the people." The Democrats in the council, he continued, have indicated a complete docility in obeying "their master's voice."



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# EXTRA!

## Prof. Rogers Repudiates Report of Appointment As Commissioner of Education

**Tech Educator Suggests Payson Smith Be  
Retained As Governor Declares  
His Mind Is Still Open**

BOSTON, Nov. 15 (INS)—Repudiating reports that Gov. James M. Curley planned to appoint him Commissioner of Education, Prof. Robert E. Rogers, today suggested that Dr. Payson Smith, incumbent, be retained.

While the Massachusetts Institute of Technology teacher was urging the retention of Dr. Smith, members of the New England Association of School Superintendents added their endorsement and roared their approval of the stand of Prof. Rogers.

"I haven't definitely decided to reappoint Mr. Smith," Gov. Curley said today. "My mind is still open."

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### CURLEY CREATES / CRISIS IN PARTY

BOSTON, Nov. 15—Gov. Curley's covert threats to include office-holding Democrats in his approaching purge of the state's service, the hostility between him and Senator Walsh, and the blazing opposition within the party against committing next year's national convention delegates to the support of President Roosevelt, have combined to produce a crisis in the affairs of the Democratic party in Massachusetts.

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## DEMONSTRATION BY EDUCATORS FOR DR. PAYSON SMITH

**Resolution Favoring His  
Retention Is Unani-  
mously Adopted**

In a scene said to be without equal in the annals of the association, 250 members of the Massachusetts School Superintendents' association, in convention at the Gardner Auditorium of the State House yesterday afternoon, cheered to the echo the name of Dr. Payson Smith, Massachusetts commissioner of education.

To a man, the school superintendents, by a rising vote, passed unanimously a resolution lauding the leadership and administration of Dr. Smith, expressing the "earnest hope that Massachusetts may continue to benefit by the continued service of Dr. Smith as commissioner of education." Dr. Smith's term expires early next month.

A spontaneous demonstration followed the presentation of the resolution advanced by Supt. Patrick T. Campbell of Boston. There was a scramble to second the motion. First Vice President William R. Peck of Holyoke was successful and the resolution was passed.

It is generally accepted by politicians that Governor Curley was largely responsible for Campbell's appointment to the Boston school superintendency.

The Governor, however, refused to say whether he would be influenced by the superintendents' action nor would he comment on the report that he would appoint Prof. Robert E. Rogers of M. I. T. to succeed Dr. Smith.



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## Many Changes Will Be Made In State Staff

### Brooks Calls Curley Rule High-Handed Insult To Electorate.

Thanksgiving Day is expected to see a number of State officeholders either out of jobs or definitely on their way out.

Governor Curley has let it be known that he is sharpening the political patronage axe and it is due to fall not only on Republican officeholders but also those Democrats who pledged allegiance to former Governor Ely.

"Democratic heads are as much in peril as Republican heads," the Governor said in disclosing he was

about ready to make some important changes in the State House.

#### Attack by Brooks

While he planned the ouster movement, Governor's Councillor Frank A. Brooks, Republican, attacked him for "flagrant abuse of power" in seizing control of the Executive Council. The Governor replied by ridiculing the denunciation.

#### Baker Ascends Bench

While Mr. Curley and Mr. Brooks were thus engaged, former Governor's Councillor J. Arthur Baker, Republican, prepared to assume his duties as a Superior Court justice next Monday. Opposed by the Boston Bar Association and the Republican members of the Council, Mr. Baker was elected and will preside at a jury-waived civil session of Suffolk County Superior Court next week.

#### Curley's Answer

The Governor was irked by Mr. Brooks' criticism and said:

"The puerile protests of Councillor Brooks...might have some weight provided the member in question had supported...the confirmation of anyone other than a member of the political party with which he is aligned."

The Watertown councillor's statement was prompted by Mr. Curley's appointment of two Republican councillors, Edmond Cote of this city and Mr. Baker, to other State jobs and their replacement in the Council by Democrats. With a Democratic majority of six to three, the Governor appears certain of confirmation of future appointments.

#### Insult to Voters

"In all my years of political observation there has been no such

flagrant abuse of power, no such direct insult to the intelligence to the voters as that evidenced by the high-handed methods employed by our present Governor to gain control of the Governor's Council and thus to carry out his will, regardless of the appointments made," Mr. Brooks said.

"Yesterday (Wednesday) when the Governor's Council met to consider several appointments...the Democratic members of the Council delayed proceedings fully an hour while they held a caucus on the appointments, deciding naturally enough to obey their master's voice."

#### Officials Endangered

With the Council under his control, Governor Curley has a choice assortment of positions to fill.

Among the commissioners whose terms expire in December are, James M. Hurley, Civil Service; Arthur T. Lyman, Correction; Edgar L. Gillett, Agriculture; Paul G. Kirk, Public Safety; Samuel A. York, Conservation; Charles F. Connors, Racing, and Edward Fisher, associate commissioner of Labor and Industries, all Democrats.

Among the Republicans are Raymond J. Kenney, director of Fisheries and Game; Commissioners

Payson Smith, Education; Richard K. Conant, Public Welfare; Henry F. Long, Corporations and Taxation, and Associate Commissioners Joseph B. Jacobs, Metropolitan District Commission, and Richard K. Hale, Public Works.

Maj. George S. Cronin, State Purchasing Agent, is slated to go, it is widely rumored, when his term ends Dec. 13. He is a Democrat. Tony A. Garofano, of Saugus, of the State Board of Registration of Barbers, is another Democrat whose term expires.

Gov. Curley said yesterday he would submit the name of a successor to DeWitt C. DeWolf, Commissioner of Labor and Industries, who died Wednesday, at next week's Council meeting.

Although no official announcement was made, it is known that the Governor is considering Charles G. Wood, a Concord Democrat, formerly Federal labor conciliator; James T. Moriarty of the State Branch, American Federation of Labor, and Miss Mary E. Meehan, the present acting commissioner, for the position.

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## Object to Wording of Curley's Proclamation

Formal objection to the wording of Governor Curley's Armistice Day proclamation was voted by the Attleboro Ministers' Association this week. The members held that it propagandized the Roosevelt Administration.

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## Another Curley Lieutenant Due To Be Rewarded

While Representative Edward J. Kelley, of Worcester, was defeated last week in his effort to become mayor of that city, he is not likely to go unrewarded by Governor Curley.

As Democratic floor leader in the House, Mr. Kelley has been a loyal Curley lieutenant. He conducted his mayoralty campaign solely on the issue of Curleyism and as a reward, it is reported, he will be named State Civil Service Commissioner.

The present commissioner, James M. Hurley, of Marlboro, concludes his term of office next month and does not anticipate reappointment.

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## Curley Predicts Roosevelt Sweep

Governor Curley is making predictions concerning the 1936 elections and contends that President Roosevelt will win without a single vote from either the East or the North. However, he claims the President will carry Massachusetts. He predicted the next election "will be a sweep."



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# Political Grab Bag

By Thomas K. Brindley

## Governor Curley Gets Rid of Grant, Who Takes \$7,000-a-Year Post With Misgivings About Length of Time He Can Hold It.

Now that Richard P. Grant has been elevated to membership in the State Public Utilities Commission at \$7,000 a year, Governor Curley has practically killed two birds with one stone, if a hackneyed phrase may be used.

First, he has "paid off" Mr. Grant for the latter's efforts at the microphone during the last campaign and since Curleyism became the password in Massachusetts.

Second, he has pleased certain friends who clashed with Mr. Grant virtually every time they visited the Executive Department and made an unsuccessful bid to see the Governor.

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Not so long ago Dick Grant was a newspaper reporter. A strapping six-footer, good-looking and the father of three handsome children, he was well liked by his coworkers of the Fourth Estate.

But the friendship of bygone days has not existed for some time.

The Governor realized that and while he may be unwilling to admit it, there is no denying he will be pleased if the transfer of Mr. Grant from the side room of the Executive Department to the Public Utilities office, results in newspapermen showing a more friendly attitude to Curleyism and its exponents.

After Dick Grant severed his connection with two Boston newspapers, both of strong Republican leanings, he sought other means of obtaining a living. Having been a baseball broadcaster for a Boston newspaper at one time, he turned to the radio.

He initiated a news service and in the early stages of the activity engaged in a bitter feud with members of the Massachusetts State House Press Association—an organization comprising the men who cover the State House day in and day out, administration in and administration out, and who play no particular favorites.

Dick, a colleague once wrote, had an idea when he was a reporter, of turning the State House inside out "to see what made it tick." He didn't quite achieve his aim, but did some good reportorial work.

But when he became a news commentator upon State House events, he turned his verbal blasts, not upon the political parasites who infest the capitol, but upon his friends in the press room.

Apparently he didn't like the way they were scooping him, so he started talking about them.

It was a policy that failed to meet popular approval.

When he left the commentator field, his former colleagues did not forget the manner in which he had "blasted" them in trying to build up himself.

During the time he was thus engaged, the newspapermen did not make any comment whatsoever. One or two had verbal brushes with him in the State House corridors, but there was no battling in print.

When the Curley caravan started campaigning last Fall Dick got aboard somewhere.

It will be recalled that the Governor, in his campaign, did not engage in any personalities. He simply held firmly to President Roosevelt's coattails, brushed up on his Oxonian accent, and talked about the New Deal and work and wages. He went on the circuit and although he was expected time and again to lash out at his foes, he restrained himself.

But back in Boston, Dick Grant was on the Curley firing line.

He let go with all sorts of verbal shrapnel, using information which he obtained as a newspaperman as well as that which Curley

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lieutenants had thought could be utilized by the Governor if the going got too rough.

As a reward for his attacks upon the enemy, Mr. Grant was made executive secretary to the Governor.

Immediately, the newspaperman shouted with glee and sat back to await developments.

It was not long before the Governor went South, with State Troopers for golf caddies, and left Lieutenant Governor Hurley nominally bossing the Senate. In short order, the word was passed that Mr. Grant was running the Executive Department in the absence of Mr. Curley.

His ideas clashed with those of the scholarly Assistant Secretary William Bodfish and there were words—and then some.

The newspapermen did their job. They covered the controversy as if it were the Italo-Ethiopian war. They had comments from everyone and when it was all put together it made quite a headach for the Governor.

Word reached the vacationing executive about the goings-on and he was considerably disturbed. Upon his return, he affected what was allegedly a peace agreement.

But the unsatisfactory conditions continued and the report spread that the Governor had been convinced by friends that Mr. Grant's usefulness as a campaigner was no longer existent and that it would be well to place him somewhere else.

An objector to the proposed shift, it is said, was none other than Mr. Grant. He was reported by newspapermen at the State House to feel he should not accept a State Department appointment because of the chance that with the change of administration, he would be out of employment.

Mr. Grant, apparently realizes that Mr. Curley's wold political maneuvers, which are throwing loyal State employes out of jobs, can be copied—and quite likely will be—when other Governors take over the reins of the Bay State. That makes his \$7,000 a year job very insecure.

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But the stinging rebukes suffered by Mr. Curley in various municipal elections during the past fortnight, the very evident indication that Curleyism is not at all popular anywhere and the everyday proof that the politically-inspired work-and-wages program is a flop, led the Governor to decide retrenchment is a dire necessity.

So the Governor heeded his friends and removed Mr. Grant to what appears a much better job.

Next to go, it is said, will be John H. Backus of New Bedford, as assistant secretary. The job he is due to get, it is understood, is Director of the State Securities Sale Division, a position now held by John T. Hull of Leominster.

There are others who must be transferred in the name of political expediency, it is reliably reported and the question is what loyal, hard-working public servants are due to be ousted to make way for the army of "yes-men" who must be kept feeding at the public trough by special permission of Governor Curley?

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# Rogers Denies He's Candidate To Succeed Payson Smith; Would Not Accept Offer

## M. I. T. English Professor Urges the Reappointment of Commissioner of Education

Educator Mentioned Prominently as Gov. Curley's  
Choice for Place, Declares He Has No Desire for  
Political Situation and Does Not Expect to Be  
Asked to Take One

CAMBRIDGE, Nov. 15 (A. P.)—Prof. Robert E. Rogers, of "marry the boss's daughter" fame, eliminated himself definitely today as the next Massachusetts commissioner of education.

A professor of English at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he was mentioned prominently as Gov. James M. Curley's choice to succeed Dr. Payson Smith, whose term expires Dec. 1.

Rogers attracted national attention a few years ago when he advised members of a graduating class at "Tech" that when they went out and obtained jobs they should "marry the boss's daughter" in order to get ahead.

The professor, who is a newspaper columnist by avocation, declared:

"I have received no intimation from the governor that I was being considered for the post. I have received no offer. I do not expect to receive one. For many reasons it would be impossible for me to accept such an offer. I have no desire for a political situation."

Rogers urged the reappointment of Smith, who drew the fire of patriotic organizations several months ago when he opposed vigor-

ously the adoption of the present law requiring public school teachers to take oaths of allegiance to the state and federal constitutions.

There may be some house-cleaning on Beacon Hill Dec. 1 with the expiration of the terms of some 20 state officials.

Gov. Curley intimated as much last night, but declined smilingly to say who might be affected.

There were published reports that Prof. Rogers might succeed Dr. Smith as state commissioner of education.

Dr. Smith's is one of the department heads whose terms expire the first of next month, and just last night 300 Massachusetts superintendents of schools, meeting in convention here, adopted a resolution urging his reappointment.

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## Prof. Rogers Not Interested In State Position

BOSTON, Nov. 15 (AP)—Professor Robert E. Rogers of "Marry the boss's daughter" fame eliminated himself definitely today as the next Massachusetts commissioner of education. A professor of English at M. I. T., he was mentioned prominently as Gov. Curley's choice to succeed Dr. Payson Smith, whose term expires Dec. 1. The professor declared he had not been offered the post, could not accept and had no desire for a political berth.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES

A bed for tired authors was shown at the recent furniture exhibit at Chicago. But there was no arrangement for working the typewriter while enjoying it. That's something for a real inventor to tackle.

There is one similarity between the Italo-Ethiopian war and the World War. Both sides claim victories without hindrance by censors.

Synonym for rubber stamp—Governor's council.

Statistics show that 655,000 Americans were killed in home accidents between 1920 and 1935 which is probably the reason so many dislike to go home.

With the country making a come-back Jack Sharkey is going to try the same thing but without the sound ground the country has on which to base his attempt.

In case you are not keeping up to schedule, next week is book week. Possibly it will recall to you the borrowed books you have read and not returned.



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## SIX GOVERNORS WILL TAKE PART IN NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE ON NOV. 21st

BOSTON, Nov. 15—Six governors, from each of the six New England states, will join here Thursday, Nov. 21, in conferences devoted to laying plans for promoting better business in New England in the year to come. They will be leaders and key speakers at the opening session of the 10th Anniversary New England Conference, to be held here under auspices of the New England Council Thursday and Friday of next week.

Previous to the opening session of the conference, Thursday afternoon, the Governors will join in an executive session with the New England Council, the New England Regional Planning Commission, and the chairmen of the several state Planning Boards in New England. At noon on Thursday they will be the guests of the New England council at a luncheon to be attended also by the planning officials and by New England members of the U. S. Senate and House of Representatives.

President Winthrop L. Carter of the New England Council will speak at the opening Conference session, and will introduce the Governors.

Thursday evening each governor will participate in his respective state dinner meeting to be attended by all those attending the Conference from each of the states. Election of Directors of the New England Council for the ensuing year will be the chief item on the business program of each State Meeting.

The 10th Anniversary conference will be characterized for the first time by the presentation of development programs prepared by the New England regional planning commission and by the planning boards of each of the six New England states. The state programs will be submitted for discussion at the six state meetings, and the New England Regional planning commission's statement will be put before the Conference as a whole.

Still another feature this year will be the publication by the New England Council, in connection with the Conference, of a new book of information and appraisal of New Eng-

land, entitled "New England Today." In it, the objectives of the major committees of the New England Council are restated in terms of today's conditions, and the facts about New England's relative position at the end of ten years of development work on the part of the Council will be set forth in detail.

Registration to attend the Conference is open to all interested business men, farmers and others. Accommodations for the Conference are limited, and advanced registrations by mail are being received in greater numbers than previous years, it was said at council headquarters today.

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### THE BAKER APPOINTMENT

It may be that J. Arthur Baker of Pittsfield, former renegade Republican member of the governor's council, will prove as ethical in his new post of Superior Court judge as he was unreliable as a party man elected by the constituents of his district. But there will hover over every judicial decision and act of his the cause-and-effect suspicion that marked his later career as a member of the council.

The News believes, regardless of his possible exceptional ability as a justice, that it was a mistake to nominate him for the office and just as much of an error for the council to confirm him. Especially is this true in view of the attitude of the Boston Bar Association in protesting the appointment, which is that of the general public. Baker went out of his way—a long distance out—to aid Governor Curley in obtaining complete dominance of his council. The Governor, as is his custom, paid the bill by naming him to the place on the bench. The kow-towing council Democrats promptly approved, only the three Republicans opposing.

The Bar Association has no right to usurp the prerogative of the Governor to name the justices of the courts. But it did have the right to protest what it believed to be a move detrimental to the standing of our courts. The greed for political power has reached the courts. Regardless of the ability, ethics and principles of the new judge on the bench, the appointment, in view of his record of political service, is disconcerting.



RECORDER  
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### Writing for Haigis

Residents of eastern Massachusetts are beginning to hear from neighbors of John W. Haigis how they regard the man and his candidacy for governor. The inertia and indifference which too often overcome those qualified to vote have been dispelled by the double reason of the Curley regime in office and the appearance of a man qualified to lead Massachusetts back to its former character and position.

Forum readers of Wednesday noticed a letter enthusiastically endorsing a recent suggestion in this column that western Massachusetts spread by personal letters word of the Haigis qualifications to acquaintances less informed because of residence in eastern counties. The Forum writer was a young woman who, so far as we can learn, has never before taken an active part in politics. It is only a sample of general reader response that has reached us.

Another woman voter, never registered in any party and hence never a participant in any primary although regularly at the polls in November, told us she had "gone Republican for Haigis" and was compiling a list of acquaintances in Greater Boston whom she knew to have group influence but whom she feared might not know her candidate.

The Springfield Union, which is carrying the Haigis banner in the southern section of the valley, reprinted The Recorder-Gazette editorial. Presumably not because of the analysis of Haigis (which facts were already known to it) because it perceived merit in the suggestion of prompt letter writing.

The response has surprised us only in one particular. We knew of course that Franklin county almost to a man stood with Haigis. We knew of course that all Republican organizations of the county would fight all the way with him. We knew equally that many of our neighbor Democrats would vote for him, if nominated, and that he could count in November of 1936 on a large vote from hundreds of independent voters and those who ignore primaries.

But what surprised us was the response from those not allied with the party. If hitherto independents swing into support thus early, it smooths the path to nomination, and nomination of the right man is something more difficult to secure than election.

Further study of recent events indicates the county situation may not be unique. The new mayor of Chelsea, a Republican who is a novice in politics, attributes his success in upsetting the machine and winning support of the 29 nationalities composing the 45,000 population to the fact he wooed the non-voters. He interested those who never vote and those who never vote in primaries. It is good medicine for any candidate.

While so many have informed us of letters about Haigis already on the way, it is apparent in human nature that many more have said, "Yes, a good idea—for tomorrow". That "tomorrow" is become "today". Write now for Haigis.

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### WIDER ROAD ASKED TO CUT DEATH TOLL

Boston—(AP)—Immediate widening of the Southwest Cut-Off of the Worcester Turnpike was requested of Governor James M. Curley by Maurice O'Toole, representing the city of Worcester.

Twenty-one lives have been taken by automobile accidents on the 15-mile section of highway since it was opened several years ago.

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### Tuckerman's Candidacy

Bayard Tuckerman, Jr., in his announcement that he will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for councilor from the Fifth district, shows that he understands the importance of the office that he will seek. This office for many years has been a comfortable post which politicians of moderate eminence could occupy with a dignity gratifying to their idea of their own importance. It meant so little that arguments for its abolition were made and we are disposed to think they are sound arguments if they are supplemented with advocacy of another means of checking the conduct of the chief executive. It hasn't been abolished, however. On the contrary, under Governor Curley, it has been raised to new importance.

Curley has used the council as a means of strengthening his personal power over the administrative offices of the state. A councilor now, therefore, is a man who aids or who resists efforts of the chief executive to advance himself to a place in Massachusetts comparable to that occupied in Louisiana by the late Huey Long.

With the conduct of certain councilors, who wore Republican labels, in his mind, Tuckerman has declared that the "position demands a young man who cannot be bought, browbeaten or lulled into inaction by promises or favors". Here is a definition of the demands of the office that identifies Tuckerman as a candidate worthy of earnest consideration when a Republican nominee is selected.



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## DEMOCRATS IN HAVERHILL TO RECEIVE PLUMS

**McAree Expected to Get  
High Position—New Medical Examiner Likely**

Local Democrats will share in political plums within the gift of Gov. James M. Curley next month, according to well informed Democratic leaders.

The appointment of Senator Charles A. P. McAree to a high position in the state department of education is expected to take place in December soon after the governor names the successor of Payson Smith, state commissioner of education whose term expires Dec. 1. Senator McAree refuses to comment on the matter.

Prof. Robert E. Rogers of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology today eliminated himself as a candidate for Commissioner Smith's position. A Boston morning newspaper announced that Governor Curley had selected him to succeed Commissioner Smith.

Several months ago Senator McAree talked with Governor Curley about the appointment as commissioner of education and learned that Professor Rogers had been selected as the governor's choice. The professor, however, today eliminated himself as a candidate. Senator McAree has not talked to the governor since that time about a state appointment, but will see him in a day or so.

The term of Dr. T. N. Stone as associate medical examiner expires on Dec. 5, the same date that the term of Dr. F. W. Anthony as medical examiner expires. Two new appointments will be made at that time, according to well informed Democratic leaders. Although an effort is being made by attorneys, prominent citizens and civic leaders to have Dr. Anthony reappointed, Governor Curley will replace him, it is reported.

Dr. John P. Creed, Dr. George J. Connor, Dr. John L. Toole, and Dr. Paul Nettle are candidates for the position of medical examiner. The medical examiner and the associate will be chosen from this list. Drs. Connor and Anthony are registered as Republicans, with Dr. Creed non-declared and Dr. Toole a Democrat. Leading Democrats who keep in close

touch with political matters in the State House say that no one knows at this time who will get the appointments, except that the present incumbents will not be returned to office. The medical examiner receives a fee for work performed which figures between \$700 and \$800 a year. The associate medical examiner is also paid a fee when he works, but the remuneration is slight.

**GAZETTE**  
Haverhill, Mass.

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## COUNCILOR SAYS CURLEY DEFIES PEOPLE'S WILL

**Democratic Government  
Thwarted—"Puerile",  
Replies Chief**

(Special to The Gazette)

STATE HOUSE, Boston—A bitter attack on Gov. James M. Curley for his "flagrant abuse of power" in jamming through the now Democratic executive council state appointments was made by Councilor Frank A. Brooks, Watertown, Republican.

The council should be given an opportunity to study some of the appointments, Brooks contended.

His statement followed announcement by Governor Curley that there would be considerable changes among state department heads on December 1, when 20 or more terms of officials expire.

The Brooks statement follows:

"In all my years of political observation there has been no such flagrant abuse of power, no such direct insult to the intelligence of the voters as that evidenced in the high-handed methods employed by our present Governor to gain control of the Governor's Council and to thus carry out his will, regardless of the merit of appointments made.

"When the Governor's Council took office in January it was a body elected by the people of the respective districts. There were then five Republicans and four Democrats as members. Now, by manipulation, the Governor has converted it into a body where there are but three Republicans and six Democrats. Thus the will of the people, as expressed by their votes, has been disregarded and thwarted. The action constitutes a direct slap in the face, a flagrant abuse of power and an insult to the voters of the state.

"I appeal to fair minded Democrats, not alone to Republicans and believe that thousands of them must be nauseated and disgusted with the methods employed by their self-styled leader. It is not a question of party concern alone, but one which is of vital interest to every citizen of the Commonwealth.

"With the Democratic majority now existent, by reason of these acts of

the Governor, what is the procedure? In matters of gravest import to the public the Democratic majority proceeds forthwith to suspend the rules and push through appointments regardless of protests. Our requests for at least a week's delay so that these appointments might be considered and investigated, are ruthlessly denied and thus we have no means of knowing whether they are capable of performing the important public duties to be intrusted to them. We have, as a matter of fact, no definite means of knowing whether the appointees live within the districts from which they are appointed.

"This constitutes such a flagrant abuse of power that I cannot and will not tolerate it without raising my voice in opposition at every opportunity. Perhaps the alignment against us is too powerful at the moment to overcome. But the people of the Commonwealth should be informed just how matters stand. It cannot be possible that they will long tolerate the existing conditions, in the hands of a ruthless Governor, concerned obviously only with his own personal advancement—without even the slightest concern for his own party and the people who elected him. These conditions have in his hands

set aside all principles of representative government. If we can do nothing else, at least the voices of the Republican members should be raised in continual and open protest against such disregard of the very principles upon which our government is founded. In all my years of political life, as I have said, I have never seen such high-handed usurpation of power and such unconcern as to the wishes of the people of the Commonwealth.

"Yesterday when the Governor's Council met to consider several appointments, among them that of Baker, the Democratic members of the Council delayed proceedings fully an hour while they held a caucus on the appointments, deciding naturally enough to obey their master's voice. What would the Democrats have said in past years had that procedure been followed by the Republicans? We would have been exonerated and attacked from every side and their criticism would have been just. But now it appears to be a different story. While these Democratic members caused the Republican members were left waiting to cool their heels and await the pleasure of the new powers.

"Please bear in mind that none of these appointments were emergency ones. There exists no such emergency, no situation whereby a place must be filled at once. There is no possible excuse for such methods as have been followed, in direct violation of the principles of democratic government and I, for one, will not stand silently by and permit this sort of thing to be done without audible and emphatic protest. I believe that every right-minded person, of whatever political faith, will agree with me in condemning such methods as un-American and disgraceful."

Governor Curley had the following comment to make on Councilor Brooks' statement:

"The puerile protests of Councilor Brooks against the manner in which the business of the governor's council is transacted might have some weight provided the member in question had supported at any time or favored the confirmation of any one other than a member of the political party with which he is aligned.



*Concluded*  
 "The governor's council is elected to act in an advisory capacity in the transaction of business of the state and the executive department and provided every member of the council voted at each session in the same manner that Councilor Brooks has voted, there would be no business transacted other than that which was beneficial to the Republican party regardless of its benefit or injury to the state as a whole." (C)

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**Curley Ridicules  
 Brook's Statement  
 On Abuse Of Power**

BOSTON, Nov. 15—Gov. Curley today ridiculed Republican Councilor Frank A. Brooks' denunciation of his "flagrant abuse of power" in seizing control of the Governor's Council.

The Watertown Councilor's statement was prompted by Curley's appointment of two Republican councilors to other State jobs and their replacement in the Council by Democrats. With a Democratic majority of six to three, Curley appears certain of confirmation of future appointments.

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*DeWitt DeWolf Was Colorful Figure at State House—That Boston Bar Association Letter Relative to the Now Judge Baker—Dick Grant Gets His Payoff—October Payrolls in Holyoke Showed Improvement.*

BOSTON, Nov. 15—The death of DeWitt Clinton DeWolf of Chester removed from the political ranks of Massachusetts one of its most colorful figures. Genial, oratorical, enthusiastic, witty and well-dressed, DeWolf leaped into state fame when he plugged for the political future of Joseph B. Ely. He was the original Ely-for-governor man and he maintained the enthusiasm for Ely, which he showed when he worked to make his hero governor, in the days after the Ely election.

Naturally he was made Ely's gubernatorial secretary. He was more than a secretary. He was a spell binder, pinch hitting for the Governor when necessary. His administration as secretary was not without its faux pas but his good humor carried him over some little embarrassing slips.

When Ely was succeeded by the present Governor he saw to it that DeWolf was given a berth as a commissioner in the Department of Labor and Industry. Ill health kept DeWolf from much active work in his new position. It is to the credit of Governor Curley that he did not interfere with DeWolf's tenure of office in the days of his physical decline.

Up to very recently he has mingled with his old cronies in Boston, this really old time secretary and politician, reciting at the slightest invitation the pages of Shakespeare and Robert G. Ingersoll, his two heroes, which he knew by heart.

DeWolf appreciated a bon mot at his own expense and one of the best occurred one day when he stood at the door of the House preparing to deliver a message from Governor Ely. One of the wits of the House remarked, "De Wolf is at de door."

**DEWOLF'S SUCCESSOR**

The death of DeWolf will give the Governor a nice appointment to the Department of Labor and Industries. Popular speculation as to DeWolf's successor leads, among others, to former Rep. C. F. Nelson Pratt of Saugus.

Pratt during the stay in the House, was one of the most continuous talkers the lower branch ever knew. He could, and would, talk by the

hour on each and every subject. A computation of the amount of time Pratt talked would show that he was instrumental in greatly prolonging sessions of the House when he was a member.

But he has become one of those registered Republicans, who have helped the present Democratic Governor. He helped put across the Curley bond bill; he is now frequently seen in the Governor's office. The pay-off to Pratt may be the Labor and Industry commissionership, which has been made vacant thru the death of DeWolf.

**NO "IMPERTINENCE"**

Governor Curley states that he considered the letter from the Bar Association protesting the nomination of J. Arthur Baker of Pittsfield, another Curley Republican, to the Superior Court of Massachusetts an impertinence. The request for the withdrawal of Baker's name was no impertinence. It was a manifestation of interest on the part of educated men in the judiciary of this State. It was not an attempt to dictate appointments. It was an offer to give the Governor an opinion of the viewpoint of Mr. John Citizen in regard to judicial appointments.

The Governor succeeded by a vote of 5 to 3 in having Baker confirmed as a judge. Three Republican councilors, Schuster of East Douglas, Brooks of Watertown and Grossman of Quincy voted against confirmation. They did not, however, make any public statement concerning Baker after confirmation had been effected. Baker thru confirmation had become a judge of one of the high courts of the State.

In refraining from further comment on the action of their Democratic associates in confirming Baker these Republicans showed marked good taste.

**HIGH VOLTAGE**

The statement has been made in the press that Prof. John J. Murray of the governor's advisory board on public utilities would instigate an investigation of the alleged practice of certain electric companies in giving extra high voltage electricity to customers thus ruining electric light bulbs. This causes

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replacement of the electric light bulbs, which so-called racket causes unwarranted expense to electric light users.

Prof. Murray states the case a little differently. He says that he personally does not know of this practice but that representations have been made to him by a reliable source that such practices exist. Murray says that when such representations take concrete form he will have them investigated but not before.

The professor remarks truthfully that such an investigation would seem to be the duty of the State Department of Public Utilities. Possibly the utilities department will occupy itself with such an investigation after Dec. 1 when Richard D. Grant, at present secretary to Gov. Curley, assumes his new duties as a commissioner in the department.

Just what Grant knows about utilities is something of a mystery but he has been an active secretary to the governor and his pay-off is a job which will pay him \$7000 a year for five years!

#### TO CURB FAVOR GRANTING

Men in public life on Beacon Hill are being promoted to important and lucrative positions by the administration and, in some cases, retaining their State House positions.

Former Councillor Baker of Pittsfield, for example, went this week to the Superior Court at the same time, of course, cancelling all his council affiliations.

Senator White of Boston was given a berth with the State Department of Public Utilities. Senator Conroy of Fall River went to the Industrial Accident Board. Both of these men, although they can retain but one salary, are still in the Senate. Other favorites of the administration may soon be taken care of.

This leads to much talk concerning the possibility of stopping this handing out of positions to active politicians for favors done, this sort of "you scratch my back and I'll scratch yours" proposition.

Under the constitution the governor has the right to make certain appointments and his council the right to confirm or reject these appointments. This cannot be changed without a constitutional convention and a change in the constitution.

It has been pointed out, however, that the Legislature could pass a law stating that no person in active service in the Legislature or the council could be appointed to a state office while serving in Legislature or council. Probably legislation along these lines will be sought when the Great and General Court convenes.

#### REPUBLICANS POW WOW

Republicans are planning for an important meeting in Boston on the evening of Nov. 18, when the Republican Club of Massachusetts will

have what is described as "a galaxy of political personalities" to address the audience at the 44th semi-annual meeting of the club.

Among those to appear are Hamilton Fish, Jr., United States congressman from New York, State Senator William H. Hennessey of Salem, Leverett Saltonstall, speaker of the House, John W. Haigis, who like Saltonstall, is willing to be the Republican standard bearer for governor, Henry Parkman, Jr., Joseph E. Warner, Mark M. Duff, Warren L. Bishop, James F. Cavanagh, Sinclair Weeks, Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., who wants to go to the United States Senate, and Winfield A. Schuster, the East Douglas councillor, who never hesitates to pick a fight with Governor Curley.

#### PICK-UP IN HOLYOKE

The state department of labor and industries, receiving data concerning wholesale and retail trade outlets in Massachusetts, found 44 outlets covered in Holyoke. The number employed in these outlets in a typical September week was 813 and in a typical October week was 853, showing a betterment from September of 4.9 per cent.

The pay roll in these outlets in September was \$16,711 and in October was \$17,542 (for the typical week) showing an October improvement but a slight betterment in these lines of business in Holyoke.

#### BROOKS SPEAKS OUT

While we have said that the Republican councillors, who voted against the Baker confirmation, did not issue a press statement after his confirmation bearing directly on Baker, one councillor touched upon the Baker matter in a general statement of council conditions.

Frank A. Brooks, councillor from Watertown, formerly of Williamsburg, issued a very long statement on conditions surrounding the council, appealing to "all fair minded Democrats, not alone to Republicans, believing that thousands of them must be nauseated and disgusted with the methods employed by their self-styled leader."

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## TRIBUNE

Lawrence, Mass.

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LEADER

Lowell, Mass.

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**Fin. Com. Report  
Must Be Handled  
By City Council**

Conference at State House at  
Which Were Present the Gov-  
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Cluin of the Finance Com-  
mission.

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(Special to the Evening Leader.)

**STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, Nov. 15.**—Governor James M. Curley this afternoon held a conference with Edmund M. Cluin, chairman of the Lowell Finance commission; City Treasurer Charles R. Flood and City Auditor Daniel E. Martin of Lowell. The conference, it was reported, had to do with the accounts of the city treasurer's department.

According to Chairman Cluin, the governor informed the group that inasmuch as the Finance commission had completed its report on this matter the situation should be handled by the Lowell City Council and did not come within his province.

"I informed the group that it was entirely a local matter and that it would have to be adjudicated locally," was Governor James M. Curley's only comment on the conference with the three Lowell officials today.

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**COURIER-CITIZEN**  
Lowell, Mass.

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## CURLEY, RAPPED BY COUNCILLOR, RETURNS ATTACK

**Brooks, Republican, Protests  
'High Handed Manipulation'  
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### CHANGE IN CONTROL OF BOARD ATTACKED

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There has been a complaint that the governor's Armistice Day proclamation was a boost for the New Deal. If they can ever find out who wrote it—while Jim was in Hawaii—he'll get a slap on the wrist.

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**REPORT PROF. R. E. ROGERS  
TO SUCCEED PAYSON SMITH**

BOSTON POST SAYS CURLEY  
TO NOMINATE M.I.T. ENG-  
LISH PROFESSOR

Boston, Nov. 14—(P)—The Post says Robert E. Rogers, Professor of English at Massachusetts Institute of Technology is Governor Curley's choice to succeed Dr. Payson T. Smith as State Commissioner of Education.

No public statement relative to the position has been made to date but, the Post says, it was learned that Rogers who six years ago advised young men to "be a snob, marry the boss' daughter," would accept the post.

The newspaper adds that Rogers has not sought the office. Dr. Smith's term expires Dec. 1, and the Post says Governor Curley will submit Rogers' name to the Executive Council next Wednesday.

It is well known, the Post says, that the Governor has been discussing the matter for some time with educators.

Only tonight 300 Massachusetts Superintendents of Schools meeting here in convention adopted a resolution urging the reappointment of Dr. Smith.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1935.

**When He Dons the Robe.**

When J. Arthur Baker dons the judicial robe and steps to the bench on his first assignment as a justice of the superior court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, a life-long ambition will have been realized, for it is to such a position that every young man aspires from the time he first decides upon the law as his chosen profession.

As a presiding justice he will occupy a place of distinction in the commonwealth where there are only approximately thirty men holding similar appointments. In his court room he will, by virtue of his part in the judicial system be accorded considerable respect. He will be ushered into the court by the high sheriff of the county, accompanied by the solemn admonition of the court crier. According to custom and the practice of centuries, attorneys and spectators will rise and stand until Judge Baker has seated himself comfortably.

Among those attorneys who will rise at the approach of the new justice will be men who have given their best years to the practice of their professions, men who have dealt with cases involving the most complicated legal situations to be found in our state's long history of litigation. Among them will be men who have earned huge sums in their practice but still yearn for the recognized honor and distinction which appointment to the judiciary ordinarily brings.

Comfortably seated on the bench, Judge Baker will be the center of attention of lawyers and laymen, for no man other than king on throne occupies a position so commanding. He has reached the pinnacle and there he will remain day in and day out.

But will Judge Baker be comfortable?

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**Rogers Not  
Candidate for  
Education Com.**

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# ITEM

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## MARBLEHEAD

### Selectmen Are Signing 15-Year Bonds for the New High School.

A 15 year bond issue, bearing interest at the rate of one and three-quarter per cent. to finance the municipality's share of the construction costs of the Marblehead high school, amounting to \$250,000, has been floated, according to Town Treasurer Robert Hamson. The selectmen are now signing the bond issue.

Retirement of the bonds over a 15-year period will cost the municipality \$34,562.50 for interest, it is figured, the issue maturing in such a way that payments of both interest and principal will mean approximately one dollar a year on the tax rate as predicted by the school committee.

Under the PWA the government grant of \$175,000 will finance the balance of the \$425,000 structure. Ground will be broken for the high school addition December 15, according to the governmental requirements. The construction job is already being figured by leading firms in the section while the estimates must be submitted before Nov. 15.

Marblehead has planned to pay its \$250,000 bonded indebtedness by retiring \$17,000 of the principal each year for a decade and the balance \$16,000 annually over the next five year period.

#### TOWNSFOLKS PUNISHED.

With more than 100 Marbleheaders idle since Tuesday when the ERA concluded here, and 23 men out of work since Senator William McSweeney, gained a sweeping victory in the special election, the Headers again arise to remark that the Yachting Capital is being punished for staying true to the principles of the G. O. P.

When 23 Headers employed on the State sidewalk project at Vinnin square were given the gate immediately following the special election, town officials were assured that the layoff was only temporary and that no discrimination was being used by the State employment bureau. Head officials also learned that pending the return of Gov. Curley, the project was to be halted but that the men would return to work as soon as his excellency straightened out the tangled skein.

From reliable sources it is learned that since the sidewalk program, which is financed by the co-called Curley bond issue, has been resumed the Marbleheaders were not returned to the job although work relief has been extended to citizens of other municipalities which polled a larger Democratic vote than Marblehead at the special election. As far as can be ascertained not a Marbleheader is working on the State sidewalk program which formerly employed 23 local men.

When the ERA program was terminated last Tuesday 100 Marbleheaders joined the ranks of the idle here. The maximum pay check distributed at the final pay off was \$6.50. Welfare department officials see an im-

mediate burden imposed on public welfare unless the WPA set up goes into operation. Town officials point out that it will be two weeks after the WPA takes over before any pay checks are issued.

#### FINANCE COMMISSIONER.

Henry M. Wilkins, 35, former selectman, and civil engineer connected with the State department of public works, has been appointed to the vacancy created by the resignation of

#### CHRONICLE

Ipswich, Mass.

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## Attorney Robert T. Bamford Makes Stirring Address

### Wm. H. McSweeney Best Man for Governor States Mr. Bamford

Members of Women's Republican Club greatly impressed by talk

About 11.30 yesterday morning, Senator William H. McSweeney of Salem called his friend Attorney T. Bamford of Central Street, asking him to attend the meeting of the Ipswich Women's Republican Club to be held at 2 o'clock that day, and take his place as guest speaker. As everyone in Ipswich knows that a moment's notice is not too little for "Bob" Bamford to give a talk and what a talk he gave yesterday afternoon!

In one of the most stirring and forceful speeches ever given before the local Women's Republican Club, he told the value of having such a man as "Billy" McSweeney, as he called him, in office.

"Billy" McSweeney is one of the most able and honest members of the Republican party today, said Mr. Bamford. He

made a wonderful victory in the campaign a few weeks ago against the Curley regime." Prior to the election there was talk around that McSweeney was a Curley Republican and that he wanted to become Senator and be appointed a Judgeship. Att'y Bamford said that Billy McSweeney was not a Curley Republican and that at a hearing which he attended in the legislature for the purpose of determining the reorganization of the courts by increasing the Judges by ten, Mr. McSweeney was asked by one of the Democratic Senators the embarrassing question: "Sen. McSweeney are you in favor of increasing the Superior Court by ten." This was an attempt to get the answer "Yes." In his usual courteous manner, Mr. McSweeney said, "I shall be governed always by the rec-

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commendations of the Chief Justice of the Superior Court." Everyone knows that the Chief Justice was opposed to the plan so that there was no question where McSweeney stood on that point. Mr. Bamford reiterated that everyone could rest assured that William A. McSweeney when he took the position of Senator would vote with the Republican party and for any honest movement, he would support it 100 per cent.

"The time is coming when there has got to be something done for this country and that time is next November," said Mr. Bamford. "Next July it will be necessary to elect a Republican candidate for the Governor for the Republican Party. There will be a scramble and already many names have been mentioned. Curley is an able man, a fighter and a trickster and will go as far as buying his election. The man to put up for the Republican Governor at the next election is William A. McSweeney," stated Mr. Bamford. Of all the candidates mentioned as timber against Curley there is none that can compete against Curley as Billy McSweeney.

The Republicans don't use enough pressure. Practical politics is the only way to play the game and if necessary you have to play it the way the other party is playing.

The mention of the unscrupulous tactics of Frank A. Goodwin in his position as Registrar of Motor Vehicles brought much applause from the audience.

"Roosevelt is responsible for everything that has happened in Washington during his reign. All the propaganda that has been heard, has come directly from the White House under the direction of Franklin D.

Roosevelt, himself. If he is there another four years, we had better jump the next freight, said Mr. Bamford. It is up to each and everyone of us to do our part to make a drastic change at the next election.

There is no doubt but that if Senator McSweeney could have come in at the meeting he would have been greatly impressed and pleased by the overwhelming applause at the close of Mr. Bamford's speech. Every woman in the audience took home with her new ideas concerning the Republican party and the present state of affairs and it was certain that they all were stirred to the point of doing everything in their power to change the present system of government.

Other speakers on the program were Mrs. Alfred Williams of Taunton, Vice Chairman of the State Committee of Women's Republican Clubs, Mrs. Lewis R. Hovey of Bradford and Beverly, Essex County Chariman of the Massachusetts Women's Republican Club, Mrs. Isaac Patch, State Committee Woman from Gloucester, Mrs. Webber who will be installed as President of the Gloucester Republican Club on Monday; Mrs. Sexton, President of the Salem Club and Miss Torrey, President of the Beverly Republican Club.

Mrs. Walter H. Hulbert, President of the Ipswich Club presided at the meeting and announced the candidacy of Bayard Tuckerman, Jr. for the Republican nomination for the Governor's council from the Fifth Massachusetts district in 1936 and gave a short resume of his life.

Mrs. Arthur Glover and Mrs. Ward Tenney rendered a very beautiful piano duet called "Waltz and Prelude" by Bohn. A well attended harvest dinner preceded the meeting.

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### POLITICAL AXE MAY LOP OFF SEVERAL OFFICIALS IN MASS. POSITIONS

Boston, Nov. 15, (P)—There may be some house-cleaning on Beacon hill Dec. 1 with the expiration of the terms of some 20 state officials.

Gov. James M. Curley intimated as much last night but declined smilingly to say who might be affected.

There were published reports that Robert E. Rogers, professor of English at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, might succeed Dr. Payson T. Smith as state commissioner of education. The reports, however, could not be confirmed.

Dr. Smith is one of the department heads whose terms expire the first of next month, and just last night 300 Massachusetts superintendents of schools, meeting in convention here, adopted a resolution urging his reappointment.

Rogers declined to discuss the report but said he might issue a prepared statement later. The Boston Traveler says Rogers' statement would "deny the entire matter."

A successor to DeWitt Clinton De Wolf, state commissioner of labor and industries, who died Wednesday at his home in Chester, would be nominated at next week's council meeting, the governor said. He added that he was not ready to announce the nominee.

Later Prof. Rogers declared he had not been offered the post of commissioner of education, could not accept it, and had no desire for a political berth.

He urged the reappointment of Smith.



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### Rally-hoo

(The Press Box Open Forum, where each candidate has an equal opportunity to state his qualifications and qualify his statements, without fear of contradiction from anyone but himself. Primaries next Tuesday, and the Polls will be open all day. As for Pols, they go on forever. Just listen:—

**Ebenezer Precinct:**—"When I am Mayor, I guarantee an unbeaten, untied football team year in and year out, by allowing only boys on the team who are not preparing to go to Harvard. They will practice tackling on the tax rate, and try kicking and blocking by handling applicants for city jobs after election. Remember Precinct, Honest, Able, and Vociferous."

**Ira Hall:**—"My platform is simple. I am not, like some candidates, trying to ban 'sound' trucks, which would interfere with the efficiency of the Fire Dept. Nor do I desire to change the name of the City Infirmary to the Rich House, which is putting things in reverse. I am interested in more important matters. If elected, I will claim for my Ward the honor of being the birthplace of the American Navy, which we have about as much right to as some of the towns which claim it. Vote for Hall, Courteous, Courageous, and Kind to Animals."

**Lester Forget:**—"Malden doesn't need a sea-captain for Mayor. Just because a lot of strange creatures hang around City Hall, it isn't necessarily Noah's Ark. I am strong for having the approaches to Malden beautified. If we made a large park out of Everett, and put a bird sanctuary on the spot where Medford now stands, the stranger passing through our midst would get a better impression. I also have a vague, half-formed idea about selling ads on the ballots so the citizens won't be tempted to draw funny pictures in the blank spaces. Remember Forget, Honest, Fearless, Dependable, and Good to His Mother."

**Eustace Bean:**—"I am not a business man, home owner, or taxpayer. I have no war record, wasn't born in Malden, didn't attend the Malden schools and have no bright ideas about the tax rate. A printer who owed me some money paid me off in voting cards, and here I am. Let's just skip the whole thing."

**Phineas A. Fish:**—"As Mayor, I will create a local Security Act to provide Unemployment In-

surance to all defeated candidates who have served one term or more. I think the way we treat our ex-Couns. is shameful. I suggest re-zoning some parts of the city, and o-zoning the section around the dumps. Vote for Fish, a Man of Brains and Backbone who isn't afraid to admit it."

**I. Q. Subnormal:**—"As candidate for School Committee, I insist that all Malden girls who are qualified teachers be given work checking up to see that the children wear their rubbers to the movies on days when the No-School signal is sounded. I would have the children salute the City Seal every morning, and I believe in open meetings of the School Committee, say, between the halves at Pearl St. stadium. Remember I. Q., whatever you do."

(Thus, the Candidates. But don't be discouraged. It is your duty to exercise your franchise, if only on a leash. Remember, whether or not you go to the polls next Tues.—don't fail to vote).

### Shoot!

If gangster pictures make you wince,

Cheer up! They'll soon be screening Quints,  
And each critic from here to Mars

Will have to give the girls  
"Five Stars,"

Miss Temple's growing old apace,  
So Youth steps in to take her place.

Annette, Cecile, Yvonne, Marie,  
Take a bow—with Emilie.

### Kindergarten News

(Just before the Primaries)  
**Worcester:** Pastor resigns because people point him out as a Democrat. Parishioners urge him to stay and try to live it down.

**Narragansett:** Man is paid \$1000 for the return of a dog. Malden merchants would pay more than that to keep dogs from returning.

**State House:** Selling of State jobs denounced by Governor, who believes such jobs should be given to deserving friends. His Excellency gives up his bodyguard, feeling confident no assailant could get through the surrounding cameramen.

**Washington:** Upon hearing that B. U. will support the U. S. Government in case of war, Sec. Hull goes ahead with his plans full of confidence.

**Winchester:** Laundry wagon driver named new postmaster. From wash job. to Wash. job. Farley accused of putting Civil Service through the wringer.

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rally to its needs.

### Good For Chelsea

THE ELECTION of Edward J. Voke as Mayor of Chelsea is a fortunate issue of a campaign that has attracted state-wide attention. The spectacular attempt of his opponent to strengthen himself by the wholesale gift of work-relief jobs placed at his disposal by the Public Works Department of the State created a real scandal. If the people of Chelsea had given their approval to a candidate who was shameless in using the unemployment relief funds to forward his personal ambition, it would have been unfortunate indeed. It would have proved that the corruption of the electorate had gone further than anyone had suspected, and that one important community was willing to condone any political methods, however shocking. Chelsea has nobly redeemed itself from the suspicion of any such degradation. Mr. Melley's attaching himself to Governor Curley's coat tails did not help him either, for the Governor was wise enough to disown him. If, as seems probable, Melley's performance shall lead to a change in the system of distributing work relief opportunities through active politicians, with all the chances of open abuse, some good after all will have come from it.

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## 'Unlikely,' Declares Rogers of Report

By International News Service

Boston, Nov. 15—"Extremely unlikely," was the manner in which Prof. Bert E. Rogers, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, today described a report that Gov. James M. Curley planned to appoint him commissioner of Education. The report was that Prof. Rogers would succeed Payson Smith, whose term expires Dec. 1.



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## N. E. GOVERNORS TO MEET AT BOSTON

### Conference Planned to Pro- mote Better Business in Area

BOSTON, Nov. 14—Governors of the six New England states, will join here a week from today, Thursday, Nov. 21, in conferences devoted to laying plans for promoting better business in New England in the year to come. They will be leaders and key speakers at the opening session of the 10th anniversary New England Conference, to be held here under the auspices of the New England Council Thursday and Friday of next week.

Previous to the opening session of the conference, Thursday afternoon, the governors will join in an executive session with the New England Council, the New England Regional Planning Commission, and the chairmen of the several state planning boards in New England. At noon on Thursday they will be the guests of the New England Council at a luncheon to be attended also by the planning officials and by the New England members of the U. S. Senate and House of Representatives.

President Winthrop L. Carter of the New England Council will speak at the opening conference session, and will introduce the governors.

Thursday evening each governor will participate in his respective state dinner meeting to be attended by all those attending the conference from each of the states. Election of directors of the New England Council for the ensuing year will be the chief item on the business program of each state meeting.

The 10th anniversary conference will be characterized for the first time by the presentation of development programs prepared by the New England Regional Planning Commission and by the planning boards of each of the six New England States. The state programs will be submitted for discussion at the six State meetings, and the New England Regional Planning Commission's statement will be put before the conference as a whole.

Still another feature this year will be the publication by the New England Council, in connection with the conference, of a new book of information and appraisal of New England, entitled "New England Today." In it, the objectives of the major committees of the New England Council are restated in terms of today's conditions, and the facts about New England's relative position at the end of 10 years of development work on the part of the council will be set forth in detail.

Registration to attend the conference is open to all interested business men, farmers and other. Accommodations for the conference are limited, and advanced registrations by

mail are being received in greater numbers than previous years, it was said at Council headquarters today.

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### PRO BAKER

We must say that we have a great deal of sympathy for Judge Baker who has just been appointed to the bench by Governor Curley and his council. Republicans have said that Judge Baker traded his vote as councilman upon one occasion for the position he now occupies. After reading what Judge Baker has to say in Wednesday's Globe, we doubt it, although as the Bar Association said, it is quite difficult to ignore a series of facts even though they are largely co-incidental. However, admitting for a moment that there was a trade, we still see no reason to sympathize with the Republican clamorers who since the time of Abraham Lincoln have traded, and traded, and traded, and have answered as Judge Baker did.

And we might suggest, as far as the Bar Association is concerned, is there any difference between a judge who may be suspected of getting his job by trading his vote and a Bar Association, organized for other purposes, that may well be suspected of taking up a partisan issue of the Republican party instead of having sense enough to mind its own business. What is the Association anyway, a Bar Association, or a legal Republican Club?

We have left to say only one thing, that if Judge Baker's act can be interpreted as a revolt against the Republicanism of this state which has been represented in the past few years by class and corporation privileges, inside drags, party favors, and a general lack of understanding of conditions of the day, then we believe that he should receive the hearty congratulations of the Republicans who know that the future of the Republican party rests in casting off the decayed deadwood of the past.



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## Rogers Favors Smith as State Schools Head

Tech Professor Asserts He  
Would Decline Offer  
to Succeed Him

**Boston Today—also**  
sees—Lynn police arrest three men in drive to stop school children gambling with lunch money—S. S. Farnham ready to sail as scrap iron, is loaded, must avoid League restricted ports—S. S. Liberty Globe unloads as longshoremen's boycott ends—Food prices show advance—Clamoring job hunters at Curley door make Governor late for work.

### Rogers—He Wouldn't Take State Education Post

Retention of Payson Smith as State Commissioner of Education was forecast in Boston today as the two persons most prominently mentioned for the \$9000 a year post announced they would not accept it and advised that Mr. Smith be continued.

Prof. Robert E. Rogers of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, widely known educator whose whimsical advice to graduating students relative to "being slightly snobbish and marrying the boss's daughter" gained him national attention, today denied reports he would succeed Mr. Smith when the latter's term expires early next month. "Such reports are entirely unwarranted," Professor Rogers said, "the position has not been offered to me, and I could not accept it if it were."

"I think that Patrick T. Campbell, superintendent of the Boston schools, would make an excellent commissioner, but if he won't accept I should regret to see Mr. Smith leave the post. His retirement at this time would constitute a real loss to the State."

Previously, Mr. Campbell had said he would decline the position if offered and said that Mr. Smith, who has served since 1916, should be retained.

In his work for the Commonwealth, Mr. Smith has won national honors for instituting progressive educational methods.

Governor Curley today said the Smith appointment question was still open, and that he had not yet decided whether to replace the Commissioner or retain him. "I am listening to all sides of the matter," he said.

The New England Association of School Superintendents, concluding a two-day meeting at the State House here today, voted to institute a statewide drive in Massachusetts in behalf of retaining Dr. Payson Smith as state commissioner of education. An attempt will be made, leaders said, to interest women's clubs, professional groups and service organizations in the affair.

### Gambling—Arrests In Lynn School Charges

Eight days of careful investigation, which included surveillance of Lynn school yards and suspected haunts of gamblers, had borne fruit today as Mayor J. Fred Manning announced the arrest of three men charged with taking pennies, nickels and dimes from school children for lottery, wagering. According to Mayor Manning most of this money was given the students to buy lunches, but was diverted into the pockets of professional gamblers.

The Mayor announced a week ago that he had received complaints from parents to the effect their children were pooling lunch money and betting it on lotteries and horses. At first police could secure no verification of this report.

They adopted a plan, however, of hiding on roofs of buildings adjacent to the Cobett Junior High School and Lynn Classical High School. From these vantage points the officers observed men standing on corners near the schools. At the lunch hour boys and girls ran over and supposedly placed bets.

Police would not reveal just what connection the three men taken into custody had with the gambling affair, but hinted that more arrests may be expected. Police said the gambling practice had become general among a large segment of students.

### Farnham—Ship Loaded With Scrap Iron Ready to Sail

With the last of 5000 tons of scrap iron loaded aboard the steamer Farnham at Army Base this afternoon the vessel was expected to sail for Genoa with its sinews of war sometime tonight. Clearance papers revealing sailing hour and destination had not been secured from customs authorities early this afternoon.

From London today came news that while the Farnham is owned by the English Delta Steamship Company that concern, in turn, is controlled by Ernesto Geraci, an Italian. It was thought possible that this fact accounts for the Farnham's Italian captain and Italian crew.

When the Farnham leaves Boston it must take care not to put in at any port of a nation belonging to the League of Nations. On Monday the League's sanctions are scheduled

for imposition and one of the banned articles is scrap iron. Should the Farnham enter a port where restrictions are in effect it might be held under re-exporting regulations. The trip from Boston to Genoa will probably take 20 days, water-front observers said today.

Later yesterday unknown parties entered the Army Base and painted in large white letters the words "Murder Cargo" on sides of a freight car loaded with scrap iron for the Farnham.

### Dockmen—Unload Craft Involved in Southern Strike

Effectiveness of "remote control" by labor unions was proven here today as longshoremen, after a six days' boycott of the S. S. Liberty Glo, opened up the hatches and began unloading the vessels' 1500 tons of cargo having forced the hand of a firm 1000 miles away. Thus ended the first showing of strength by the International Longshoremen's Association in a coastwise dispute which had its origin among the Gulf ports of Texas.

The strike was started when the Lykes Bros. Steamship Company of Houston, owners of the Liberty Glo, refused to negotiate with the I. L. A. on wage and labor questions. Last Saturday, local longshoremen not only refused to discharge the Liberty Glo's cargo but warned the Lykes company's local agents that if they attempted to break the boycott with nonunion labor, the I. L. A.'s three Boston locals would strike on all other boats for which the agent serves.

The six-day boycott came as a complete surprise to shipping circles here, who had not dreamt that the local longshoremen were sufficiently unionized to constitute any real adversary for the employers.

Although no word was received directly, it was believed that the Lykes Brothers Company had agreed to negotiate with the union officials, since that was the only ground upon which the local outbreak was fomented.

### Markets—Advance Trend in Prices Is Noted

While not especially marked, prices of food in Boston were advanced today over last week. Housewives making their weekly sally on markets tomorrow will have to shop a little more, vary their purchases to include bargains here and there to gain as much food within their budgets as they have in previous weeks and months.

Butter was up 2 cents above last week's level in chain stores and higher elsewhere and there were signs that it would soar much higher within a few days. Eggs remained stationary, with lower prices appearing in the offing. Potatoes and pork advanced.

Pink-meated grapefruit from Texas was a colorful and interesting arrival of the week at Faneuil Hall Market. Prices ranged (depending upon size) from 10 to 18 cents apiece. California Hunisa grapes, and Arizona dates feature the less prosaic items offered. The grapes are reddish purple, and sweet in flavor. They sell for 20 cents a pound. Nine ounces of dates sell for 40 cents.



## Curley—Job Seekers Cause of His Lateness

Since Governor Curley returned from his Hawaiian vacation friends have noted that he has not been in his State House office at his customary early hour. Today they earned why.

When the Governor steps from the portico of his Jamaica way home about 9 o'clock in the morning he is surrounded by a crowd of at least 30 men seeking jobs. "I have to leave the house an hour early in order to have a moment to talk to them before I enter the automobile," the Governor explained today.

Most of the men are from Boston and seek work on projects included in the State's emergency building program. This fact led the Governor to summon Public Works Commissioner Callahan and Eugene C. Hultman, chairman of the Metropolitan District Commission, to his office to pointedly ask why the men weren't given jobs.

The reason was easily forthcoming. Boston has used up its share of the funds for such work. There is \$28,000,000 left in state and federal funds for use outside Boston, but under the regulations none of this sum can be transferred for use in Boston.

The Governor asked Mr. Callahan and Mr. Hultman to please see Arthur G. Rotch, state WPA director, and strive to have provision made for the men. The Governor hopes that by next week he can arrive at his office on time.

## Indictments—Brought Against ERA Officials

Having one's spring cleaning done with government funds is all very well—if the Government doesn't catch up with him. That was the conclusion reached by three Fall River men as a federal grand jury today returned indictments charging Frank B. Tew, superintendent of ERA in Fall River, with reporting false pay rolls, and James J. Brown and Manuel Amaral, also ERA officials, with aiding and abetting him.

Assistant U. S. Attorney Arthur J. B. Cartier stated today that Brown and Tew had employed different ERA workers on their respective houses for painting, carpentering, wallpapering, white washing, beating carpets and doing general chores. Materials for this work came from an ERA storehouse. All told, the workers spent about 16 days on the two houses.

The grand jury also reported seven other indictments today before Judge George C. Sweeney.

## Educators—Urged to Reveal Political Tricks

Visualizing American youth as potential Samuel Seaburys, Judge Ira Lloyd Letts of Providence, R. I., flung a rather startling challenge to educators gathered in Gardner Auditorium in the State House today in the final day of the New England Association of School Superintendents' meeting.

Judge Letts challenged educators to put school children "wise to vile

political organizations in their communities which exist not for service, but to plunder and pilfer." The people of the United States, he stated, if they wish to save their institutions, must educate youth to do an infinitely better job than has been done in the past in choosing leaders and selecting their policies. "Children," he urged, "ought to be shown the realistic examples of broken promises and foul political trickery."

Dr. Arthur A. Hauck, president of the University of Maine, an earlier speaker, stressed the necessity of educating youth to the dangers of liquor. "The solution lies not in laws," he said, "but in a constructive program of education for our young people."

Answering a criticism that 100,000 children now in our schools will turn out to be criminals Judge Letts argued for character development in the classroom and put it upon a thrift basis. Said he, "The cost of educating a youth is about \$100 a year whereas the cost of caring for a delinquent is \$400 a year. Why not build for honesty—it costs less in the long run."

## Remaining upon the School Super-

intendents' calendar is a window banquet tonight at the Parke House. Channing Pollock, playwright, will be the principal speaker

## Housing—Injunction On Boston Project Sought

South Boston's new housing project, initiated only last Saturday when Governor Curley manipulated the first steamshovelful of dirt, was in danger of being brought to a halt today. In Washington a petition for a temporary injunction to restrain Harold L. Ickes, PWA Administrator, from proceeding with the \$6,000,000 project was filed in the District Supreme Court by six owners of apartment houses and dwellings in the neighborhood of the development.

Holding that the value of their property would be destroyed by the construction of low-rental apartments in the same neighborhood, the complainants challenged the constitutionality of the Public Works Act. They said that they are being deprived of their property without due process of law.

The application for an injunction was filed by Joseph B. Ely of Boston and Frank L. Peckham, Washington, attorneys for Hannah M. Connors, John M. Wattendorf, both of Milton, Mass., and Cecilia F. Wattendorf, George V. Wattendorf, Charles A. Mann and James E. Regan of Boston.

Secretary Ickes was ordered by the court to appear Nov. 25 to show cause why a temporary restraining order should not be issued against the PWA housing division.

Commenting on the case, the secretary said that while he is not a lawyer, he could not see how the complainants would have a leg to stand on. A. R. Clas, director of the housing division, said he had seen the properties whose owners were bringing legal action and indicated that he did not think they were anything to brag about.

## State Police—They're Getting Ready to Move

From its basement quarters in the State House, Lieut. Col. Paul G. Kirk's Department of Public Safety was busy filling packing boxes today preparatory to moving into its new Commonwealth Pier headquarters over the week end.

Conditions have become so crowded in the State House cellar that the department has been "pushing the walls out" for some time.

The 30,000 square feet of space at Commonwealth Pier will house a target range, a training school, teletype equipment and a large garage, not to mention 26 new detectives.

As the safety department moves out, the State Planning Board, long a great idea without a location, will move into the vacated basement offices.

## Exams—West Point And Annapolis Openings

Representative Richard M. Russell announced today that for those young men ambitious to become "middies" or cadets, examinations for Annapolis and West Point will be held on Jan. 4, 1936. Mr. Russell has at his disposal two appointments to the army school and one to the navy.

The examinations will be open to all boys of the Ninth Congressional District, which includes Newton, Waltham, Watertown, Brookline, Wellesley, Lincoln, Weston and parts of Cambridge and Brighton. Candidates for West Point must be between 17 and 22 (as of July 1, 1936) and those for Annapolis from 16 to 20 (as of April 1, 1936).

Today, Boston saw a number of her would-be admirals and major generals boning up on algebra, plane geometry, English composition and literature, United States history, ancient history, English grammar and physics—for all these are included in the examinations.

## Co-operation—Industry And College 'Exchange'

"The trouble with college education is that it doesn't give youngsters any idea of what life is all about." Time and time again this bromide of the oldster is hurled at the convention of "higher learning."

No harsher in its criticism is youth which complains: "I ask for a job... they tell me you need experience, we can't take on untrained hands, but no one will tell me where to get experience."

Slowly educators are beginning to make attempts to combat this lack of experience. And as a mark of this effort Northeastern University announced today that 448 employers are co-operating with the university in the employment of upper-class students enrolled under the co-operative plan of education.

Under this plan, 1153 upper classmen this year are spending alternate five-week periods between the classroom and a paying job from which they earn all or part of their college expenses. By assigning two students to the same position, one works



while the other attends college. During the summer each works a six weeks' period and has a six weeks' vacation.

Thus in all parts of New England, New York and New Jersey, positions in finance, public utilities, manufacturing, insurance, publishing and other industries are covered by students during the entire 52 weeks of the year. Through interviews, student reports, discussions and regular classes, experiences of the students in business and industry are coordinated and correlated with the work in the university.

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## Up and Down Beacon Hill

### Curley's Message Awaited

Governor Curley must soon unlimber one of his quill pens and dash off his annual message to the Legislature. The General Court is due to reconvene on Jan. 1 and the opening shot is fired by the Governor's message.

What the Curley program will contain this year has Beacon Hill politicians guessing. Last year Governor Curley attempted an ambitious program and, through his stout control of the Legislature, managed to force through the most important measures. But it is doubtful that the Governor will attempt a program of the same proportions again.

Most politicians foresee a modest program, with perhaps a few important labor measures included at the insistence of Robert J. Watt, secretary of the Massachusetts State Federation of Labor and member of the Unemployment Compensation Commission.

With the \$13,000,000 bond issue, passed by the 1935 Legislature, causing so much political trouble, some politicians believe the Governor will part company with any bond issue ideas.

There is always the possibility, however, that he will seek a building program bond issue, like that on which he was defeated by an 86-member Republican bloc during the 1935 session. The Governor is still convinced that new institution buildings are necessary. In addition, statements the chief executive has made regarding the transformation of the three-lane southwest Worcester cutoff into a four-lane highway as a safety measure open wide the possibilities for another bond issue, some politicians say.

### Bond Issue Brings Troubles

The Governor has not been too comfortable about his bond issue operations. Representative William H. Melley's stunt in passing out bond issue jobs at his Chelsea mayoral campaign headquarters as a means of gaining political support has turned public sentiment against

the \$13,000,000 program in many instances.

The "anti" sentiment is expressed by three groups. The first is composed of those who characterize the expense as unnecessary and extravagant at a time when taxpayers are pleading for relief. The second includes those who believe the bond-issue jobs are being used merely to build the Curley political machine for the next election. If that has been the purpose, it appears doomed to failure, for the results have caused considerable dissatisfaction.

The third class, disappointed job-seekers and legislators is clearly dissatisfied. Numerous job-seekers who voted for Curley have been forgotten in the matter of jobs, and they are not well pleased.

This interview means that legislators who voted for the bond with the understanding that they would be able to hand out numerous jobs to their constituents, are not thinking well of Mr. Curley.

But aside from bond issues, it appears fairly certain that the Governor will move against utilities again next session, particularly if the legislative recess committee submits a powerful report in favor of the sliding scale system of rate making.

And he may take another crack at lower compulsory automobile insurance rates, a task at which he was only partly successful during the 1935 session.

### New Political Ammunition

Governor Curley's ammunition dump, where he stores his shells for battles with the utility interests, may be replenished shortly. Richard D. Grant, his former chief secretary, sitting in as a member of the State Public Utilities Commission, may be expected to produce some new ammunition, usable for an antiutility campaign.

Grant, a former newspaper reporter, has always been noted for his ability to obtain potent facts about various matters. He now is in the right place to obtain information.

Edgar M. Mills

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## CURLEY TO OUST DR. PAYSON SMITH?

As State Commissioner of  
Education

FOR PROF. ROGERS

Former Well Known in  
North Adams — Latter  
Gave "be a Snob" Advice.

Boston, Nov. 15—Gov. Curley, according to political observers, on next Wednesday, will appoint Robert E. Rogers, professor of English at Massachusetts Institute of Technology as commissioner of education to succeed Dr. Payson Smith whose term will expire on December 1st. It is expected that strong pressure will be brought to bear on the governor to retain Dr. Smith, who stands high in educational circles although Prof. Rogers is widely known and highly regarded as an educator. He achieved nation-wide publicity six years ago when he banteringly advised members of a Tech graduating class to "be a snob, marry the boss's daughter and don't bother with the stenographer if you expected to succeed." After the depression he said the "snob" advice had "whiskers." He also said he was all wrong in 1929 and the young man should marry the stenographer because she probably had a job while the boss's daughter was broke. More than a year ago he said he was trying to live down the goodnatured controversy which his statements provoked. He is understood to have advised Curley regarding his speeches during his campaign for governor which were mild in comparison with the previous Curley utterances.

Prof. Rogers was born in Haddonfield, N. J., April 12, 1888. He attended Cambridge Latin School and received degrees of A. B. and A. M. at Harvard.

Dr. Payson Smith has been commissioner of education since 1917. He is a native of Portland, Me., and a graduate of Tufts college. He was state superintendent of public schools in Maine for 10 years before coming to Massachusetts.

Dr. Payson Smith has been in North Adams on many occasions, both for official business and to deliver addresses and has many friends and admirers here.



## TRANSCRIPT

North Adams, Mass.

NOV 15 1935

# BROOKS ASSAILS CURLEY METHODS

Believes Fair-Minded  
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WITH GOVERNOR

Sees "Flagrant Abuse of  
Power" — Curley Re-  
torts That Councilor's  
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Boston, Nov. 15—Councilor Frank A. Brooks of Watertown has come forth with a statement in protest of

what he terms the "high-handed methods employed by our present governor to gain control of the governor's council, and to thus carry out his will, regardless of the merit of appointments made." He appeals to fair-minded Democrats, saying he believes "thousands of them must be nauseated and disgusted by the methods employed by their self-styled leader," adding that this is "of vital interest to every citizen of the commonwealth."

Councilor Brooks has been a consistent opponent of Gov. Curley's efforts to dominate the council and force through objectionable appointments. He also has vigorously fought, throughout this year, the growing practice of suspending rules to bring about immediate confirmation of appointees, contending the denial of a week's layover of appointments prohibits councilors from investigating the recipients of state berths, as well as denying citizens a right to make protests. In his statement yesterday he points out that none of these appointments is an emergency appoint-

ment and could well lay over the usual week and he believes every right-minded citizen, regardless of political faith, "will agree with me in condemning such methods as un-American and disgraceful."

### "Abuse of Power"

The statement follows:

"In all my years of political observation there has been no such flagrant abuse of power, no such direct insult to the intelligence of the voters as that evidenced in the high-handed methods employed by our present governor to gain control of the governor's council and to thus carry out his will, regardless of the merit of appointments made."

"When the governor's council took office in January it was a body elected by the people of the respective districts. There were then five Republicans and four Democrats as

members. Now, by manipulation, the governor has converted it into a body where there are but three Republicans and six Democrats. Thus the will of the people, as expressed by their votes, has been disregarded and thwarted. The action constitutes a direct slap in the face, a flagrant abuse of power and an insult to the voters of the state.

"I appeal to fair-minded Democrats, not alone to Republicans, and believe that thousands of them must be nauseated and disgusted with the methods employed by their self-styled leader. It is not a question of party concern alone, but one which is of vital interest to every citizen of the commonwealth."

"With the Democratic majority now existent, by reason of these acts of the governor, what is the procedure? In matters of gravest import to the public, the Democratic majority proceeds forthwith to suspend the rules and push through appointments regardless of protests. Our requests for at least a week's delay so that these appointees might be considered and investigated are ruthlessly denied and thus we have no means of knowing whether they are capable of performing the important public duties to be intrusted to them. We have, as a matter of fact, no definite means of knowing whether the appointees even live within the districts from which they are appointed."

### Sees Selfish Interest

"This constitutes such a flagrant abuse of power that I cannot and will not tolerate it without raising my voice in opposition at every opportunity. Perhaps the alignment against us is too powerful at the moment to overcome."

"But the people of the commonwealth should be informed just how matters stand. It cannot be possible that they will long tolerate the existing conditions, in the hands of a ruthless governor, concerned obviously only with his own personal advancement—without even the slightest concern for his own party and the people who elected him. These conditions have in his hands set aside all principles of representative government. If we can do nothing else, at least the voices of the Republican members should be raised in continual and open protest against such disregard of the very principles upon which our government is founded. In all my years of political life, as I have said, I have never seen such high-handed usurpation of power and such unconcern as to the wishes of the people of the commonwealth."

"Yesterday when the governor's council met to consider several appointments, among them that of Baker, the Democratic members of the council delayed proceedings fully an hour while they held a caucus on the appointments, deciding naturally enough to obey their master's voice. What would the Democrats have said in past years had that procedure been followed by the Republicans? We would have been excoriated and attacked from every side and their criticism would have been a just one. But now it appears to be a different story. While these Democratic members caucused the Republican members

were left waiting to cool their heels and await the pleasure of the new powers.

"Please bear in mind that none of these appointments are emergency ones. There exists no such emergency, no situation whereby a place must be filled at once. There is no possible excuse for such methods as have been followed in direct violation of the principles of Democratic government and I, for one, will not stand silently by and permit this sort of thing to be done without audible and emphatic protest. I believe that every right-minded person, of whatever political faith, will agree with me in condemning such methods as un-American and disgraceful."

### Curley's Reply

Although Councilor Brooks' statement was not supposed to be made public until this morning, somebody showed it to Gov. Curley who immediately issued this statement:

"The puerile protests of Councilor Brooks against the manner in which the business of the governor's council is transacted might have some weight provided the member in question had supported at any time or favored the confirmation of anyone other than a member of the political party with which he is aligned."

"The governor's council is elected to act in an advisory capacity in the transaction of the business of the state and the executive department and provided every member of the council voted there would be no business transacted other than that which was beneficial to the Republican party regardless of its benefits or injury to the state as a whole."

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### LILACS, LILACS ALL THE WAY

The ingenious, if not ingenuous, Governor Curley of Massachusetts is full of bright ideas. One of the latest is to plant lilacs along the highway all the way from Boston to Providence. He would transform it to "an odorous avenue." Perhaps he has visited some of the roads in Pennsylvania and recalls the white rose of York and the red rose of Lancaster.

But why lilacs only? They bloom for not more than a month. If bowers of sweetness are to intervene between the two cities, there must be more consistent gardening. In June one should be able to quote Browning, "It was roses, roses all the way." Then should come peonies, dahlias and the chrysanthemums of Autumn. And forsythia should precede the lilac.

The only question is, will the motorist respect the property of the Commonwealth and refrain from devastating the shrubs as he passes merrily on?—From the Philadelphia Inquirer.



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## BAD SITUATION SEEN BY CURLEY

Boston, Nov. 15—(A.P.)—A serious situation has been created, Governor James M. Curley said today, by the adherence of federal authorities to a policy of employing only men on welfare rolls.

The governor said he was particularly disturbed by the fact that all work arranged for the Boston area had been completed with no present prospects for additional projects. He said he had directed William F. Callahan, state commissioner of public works, to consult with Federal ERA Administrator Arthur D. Rotch immediately. The governor said the entire \$28,000,000 to be spent under the state public works department would be expended on projects entirely outside the Boston area.

"I am anxious to have positions created for those, not on welfare rolls, who are out of work." The governor declared after a conference with Callahan and Eugene C. Hultman, chairman of the Metropolitan district commission.

"It is a serious situation," the governor added, "and if the federal authorities adhere to the policy of employing only those who have been on the welfare rolls, I don't see how any other, now out of work and not on welfare rolls, can be employed."

## ROGERS REFUSES CURLEY PLUM

In Prospective Shake-Up  
by Governor

BOSTON, Nov. 15 (P)—There may be some house cleaning on Beacon Hill December 1 with the expiration of the terms of some 20 state officials.

Governor James M. Curley intimated as much last night, but declined smilingly to say who might be affected.

There were published reports that Robert E. Rogers, professor of English at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, might succeed Dr. Payson T. Smith as state commissioner of education. The reports, however, could not be confirmed.

Later Professor Rogers declared he had not been offered the post of commissioner of education, could not accept it, and had no desire for a political berth.

He urged the reappointment of Smith.

MESSENGER  
Norwood, Mass.

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## Curley O. K.'s \$105,000 Loan

Governor Approves Amount  
Sought By Solons For  
Water, Fire Systems

By ARTHUR WOODMAN  
(Special to the Messenger)

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Nov. 15—Governor James M. Curley today approved the borrowing of \$105,000 by the Town of Norwood for installation of a water supply and fire alarm system.

The borrowing is authorized by the state Emergency Finance Board acting on application made by local selectmen.

The work is to be done under the PWA program with the town meeting 45 per cent and the federal government 55 per cent of the total cost.

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GAZETTE

Northampton, Mass.

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## ROGERS NOT OUT FOR SMITH'S JOB

Would Not Accept Offer as  
State Commissioner of  
Education

Cambridge, Nov. 15.—(AP)—Prof. Robert E. Rogers, of "Marry the Boss' Daughter" fame, eliminated himself definitely today as the next Massachusetts commissioner of education.

A professor of English at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he was mentioned prominently as Governor James M. Curley's choice to succeed Dr. Payson Smith, whose term expires Dec. 1.

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The professor, who is a newspaper columnist by avocation, declared:

"I have received no intimation from the governor that I was being considered for the post. I have received no offer. I do not expect to receive one. For many reasons it would be impossible for me to accept such an offer. I have no desire for a political situation."

Rogers urged the reappointment of Smith, who drew the fire of patriotic organizations several months ago when he opposed vigorously the adoption of the present law requiring public school teachers to take oaths of allegiance to the state and federal constitutions.



# GRAPHIC

Newton, Mass.

NOV 15 1935

Edward H.

## Powers' Paragraphs

A man who for 55 years had been a factor for good in Newton passed from this life on November 13. Fred H. Tucker reached his 80th birthday last August. He made a success in life and of life. He was a man who enjoyed doing good and during his long career was a real friend to many when they needed a friend, including the writer. Mr. Tucker was a lover of the great outdoors and had been an enthusiastic member and president of the Appalachian Club. During the past summer he climbed three mountains of the White Mountain range. Since retiring from active business six years ago he had given freely of his time in the work of the Newton Welfare Bureau. Those of us who were privileged to know Mr. Tucker will not forget his cheerfulness and kindness. Newton was fortunate in having had him as an asset for over half a century.

It is interesting—and amusing to one who has resided in Newton for about half a century, whose work as well as his residence has been in this city, whose occupations have been such as to bring and keep him in touch with Newton affairs, to observe persons whose knowledge of Newton's city government and the manner in which it has been and is being conducted is very slight, going about telling other citizens of Newton how to vote. Many of these political missionaries know little of public affairs here. They have been told by others alleged facts regarding local political and governmental matters, and regarding certain candidates. From their own personal knowledge or experience they know little.

We have been in close touch with Newton city governments for many years, have attended every regular meeting of the Boards of Aldermen (with two exceptions) for twelve years, served on the Board four years, and have had opportunities to observe things that are "off the record." Our hair is gray, we became cognizant of life's illusions some years past, realize that our mentality is just ordinary and that we don't know it all, but we know enough about Newton politics and the government of this city so that we can differentiate between the real and the apparent as regards public affairs in this city. We can separate the facts from the fiction.

We believe that the Mayor of Newton should be a man who knows considerable of Newton, its affairs, its

problems and its people. We believe he should be a man who has been active in Newton affairs, who has been in this city much of the time while he has been awake, and not mostly while he has been asleep. We believe that a thorough acquaintance with Newton, both in its physical aspects, its peculiar needs and its people, is more to be considered as qualifying a man to fill the office of Mayor of this city, than spectacular publicity gained in a short term of office as a State official. We believe that when a man is elected to serve as Mayor of Newton he should be prepared to give most of his time, if necessary, to attend to the duties of this important office, and not detail much of this work to someone else. We believe he should be reasonably available every working day to any respectable citizen who has legitimate reason to desire to meet him.

We do not believe it is for the best interest of Newton's future to have a practical political machine built up in this city. The fact that Newton was singularly free from this sort of thing in the past, contributed largely to the admirable development of this city, and its outstanding place among American communities. We are not fooled by the assertion that Newton has been having a non-political administration when we have seen public positions and employment given to supporters; when we have seen men who held appointive positions for years as election officers displaced because they gave their support to some other candidate.

We believe that a man cannot properly qualify as Mayor of Newton through a short, intensive course of study under the tutelage of present or former aldermen. Granting that a candidate may possess ability, honesty and a very attractive personality, and be acclaimed as having that much emphasized, but intangible asset of executive capacity, he is not, in our opinion, so well qualified to serve as Mayor of Newton as many other intelligent men who have in the past given years of their time serving in Newton city governments.

Newton Democrats who could not get work on the State project at the Worcester turnpike in this city, or on other State projects under Gov. Curley's "work and wages" program, must have received consolation when they read of the alleged wholesale handing out of work to residents of Chelsea.

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### NEWS

Newburyport, Mass.

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## ROGERS IS SLATED TO SUCCEED SMITH

Robert E. Rogers, professor of English at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is Governor James M. Curley's choice to succeed Payson Smith as state commissioner of education.

Although no public statement has been made either by the governor or Professor Rogers, it was learned last night that the famous Tech professor will accept the appointment, although in no sense has he sought it.

Mr. Smith's term as commissioner will expire Dec. 1, and it is expected that the appointment of Professor Rogers will be submitted by the governor to the executive council next Wednesday. Dr. Smith has always stood high among educational authorities and it has been pointed out to the governor that his successor would have to be a man who would command equally high recognition to insure confidence in the head of the state's educational department.

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### MERCURY

New Bedford, Mass.

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## CURLEY PROMISES AN EXECUTIVE SHAKE-UP

BOSTON, Nov. 14 (AP)—New faces will be seen among the heads of departments in the Massachusetts state government on Dec. 1, Governor James M. Curley said tonight.

With the terms of some 20 executives ending at that time, the governor announced that changes would be made. He declined smilingly to say who would be affected.

Curley said he would nominate a successor to the late De Witt C. De Wolfe, state commissioner of labor and industries, at a meeting of the Governor's Council Wednesday. Curley declared he was not ready to announce the nominee.

De Wolfe, secretary to former Governor Joseph B. Ely during his term of office died.



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## CHANGES SEEN IN STATE POSTS

Many Terms Expire Dec. 1; Professor Rogers May Be Education Head

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Governor Curley intimated as much last night, but declined smilingly to say who might be affected.

There were published reports that Robert E. Rogers, Professor of English at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, might succeed Dr. Payson T. Smith as State Commissioner of Education. The reports, however, could not be confirmed.

Dr. Smith is one of the department heads whose terms expire the first of next month. Last night 300 Massachusetts superintendents of schools, meeting in convention here, adopted a resolution urging his reappointment.

A successor to Dewitt Clinton DeWolf, State Commissioner of Labor and Industries, who died Wednesday at his home in Chester, would be nominated at next week's council meeting, the Governor said. He added that he was not ready to announce the nominee.

### Rogers Cites Balzac As Social Historian

In the second of a series of nine extension course lectures on Modern European Literature at the library last night, Professor Robert E. Rogers of the Department of English of M. I. T. outlined the literary development of Honore de Balzac, outstanding French novelist of the early 19th century.

Tracing the life of the author from an early desire to write up to his final period when his working days ranged consistently from 16 to 20 hours, Professor Rogers said, "Due to him we have at least one period of history that we know thoroughly."

The early literary struggling of Balzac in Paris and the constant financial troubles which beset him all were contributory to his later success, the speaker said.

"He populates real places with thousands of real characters," Professor Rogers commented. "The great idea of his life was the writing of a complete social history of France and a complete biological and social history of the human race. In the 'Comedie Humaine' he came very close to doing it."

"He did not think of himself as a great story teller but a great scientist."

Three novels, "Lost Illusions," "A Distinguished Provincial at Paris" and "Splendors and Miseries of Courtesans" were listed as characteristic of his writing, although not the greatest.

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## COUNCILOR HITS CURLEY MOVES TO HOLD POWER

Brooks Protest Is Termed 'Puerile' by the Governor

Special to Standard-Times

BOSTON, Nov. 15—Declaring that Governor Curley has given a "direct slap in the face" to the voters and thwarted their expressed will in shifting the political complexion of the Executive Council from Republican to Democratic, Frank A. Brooks of Watertown, Republican member of that body, asserts that thousands of Democrats, as well as Republicans, "must be nauseated and disgusted" with the Governor's methods.

Brooks' attack was incited by the Executive Council's approval of Curley's nomination of J. Arthur Baker, former Pittsfield Republican Councilor, to the Superior Court bench. Baker will take office Monday.

Charging that requests of Republican councilors for observance of the rules in putting appointments over one week for consideration on the question of confirmation are "ruthlessly denied," Brooks added that council members vote to confirm nominees of the Governor's although they have no knowledge of their capabilities or even whether the candidates for official positions live in the districts where they are appointed.

In reply to Brooks, Governor Curley said Councilor Brooks voted only for members of his own party and that there would be no business done by the council except that beneficial to Republicans if the other council members voted as he did. He called the protests "puerile."

Brooks declared he had never witnessed such "flagrant abuse of power . . . as that evidenced in the high methods employed by our present governor to gain control of the Governor's Council and to thus carry out his will."

"By manipulation," he asserted, Curley had converted the Republican majority of five to four to a "body where there are but three Republicans and six Democrats."

"The action," he continued, "constitutes a direct slap in the face . . . to the voters of the state."

The result, he charged, is that "in matters of gravest import to the public the Democratic majority . . . suspends the rules to push through appointments regardless of protests."

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## CURLEY REPLIES TO COUNCILLOR

Calls Brooks Charge of Manipulation 'Puerile'

BOSTON, Nov. 14 (AP)—Protests against Governor James M. Curley's "high handed manipulation" of the Executive Council, made tonight by Councilor Frank Brooks, Republican, were branded as "puerile" by the Democratic chief executive.

The direct cause of Brooks' charges, J. Arthur Baker of Pittsfield, former member of the Council, a Republican whom the governor appointed to the Superior Court bench despite the protests of the Boston Bar Association, denied he had made a "deal" with Curley. He will take office Monday.

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held a caucus on the appointments, deciding naturally enough to obey their master's voice."

Governor Curley, replying to the Watertown councillor's heated objections, declared the "puerile protests" might carry some weight if Baker had at any time supported or favored confirmation of anyone other than a Republican.

### Republican Benefit

The Council, he added, "is elected to act in an advisory capacity in the transaction of business of the state and the executive department. If all the councillors voted like Brooks," he said, "there would be no business transacted other than that which was beneficial to the Republican party regardless of its benefit or injury to the state as a whole."

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**Politics and the Courts**

The appointment of former Councillor J. Arthur Baker to the Superior Court bench, following soon after the displacement of an able reporter of the Supreme Judicial Court by an inexperienced man whom the Governor wished to reward for political services, creates a feeling of dismay among citizens who had felt that the judiciary would be safe from politics of the machine type, but who now realize that it is not.

To the protest of the Boston Bar Association against the confirmation of Mr. Baker's nomination, Mr. Curley retorted that it was an "unwarranted and gratuitous impertinence. That is not surprising, for the Governor is prone to regard any criticism of his actions and any opposition to his will as an impertinence. Yet in indicting the association he virtually indicts a vast number of citizens throughout the state who share its opinion that the high standards which have been held to apply to the selection of judges in this Commonwealth have been debased in this instance.

This is not to say that Mr. Baker will not make a good judge. It is to be hoped that he will. But he starts under a serious handicap in that the Governor has made the political reason for his selection so obvious. As Councillor, Mr. Baker, by refusing to vote on the election of Mr. Russell as a successor to Councillor Cote, ensured the success of the Governor's plan to gain control of the Executive Council. Immediately afterward, the Governor commended Mr. Baker's stand, and declared that he was good material for the bench; and at the same time Mr. Baker implied that whichever way he voted, he would receive a reward.

Now the reward has materialized in the form of a place on the Superior Court bench—an honor which should be bestowed not for political services of the kind Mr. Baker rendered in the Councillor matter, but on the basis of legal ability and judicial qualifications. If appointments to the bench are to be made on such grounds, the Boston Bar Association is right in saying that confidence in the courts will be endangered.

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**R. I. HORSES TO BE  
IN BOSTON SHOW**

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund P. Cassell and their daughter, Miss Audrey Thomas, of Providence; Webster Knight, 2nd, of West Warwick, and Mr. and Mrs. William B. MacColl of Bristol will be among exhibitors at the annual horse show of the 110th Cavalry, U. S. N. G., in the Commonwealth Armory, Boston, Dec. 5 to 8, Col. Philip L. Brown, regimental commander, announced today.

Gov. Curley of Massachusetts has accepted appointment as honorary chairman, Col. Brown said.

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**TIMES**

Pawtucket, R. I.  
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**Rogers to Refuse  
State Position**

**Spikes Report He'll Be-  
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